

## Office of Partner Engagement

In 2014, the Office of Law Enforcement Coordination (OLEC) merged with the Office of Partner Engagement (OPE) and was renamed the Law Enforcement Engagement Unit. Our mission remains the same—to enhance communication, coordination and collaboration with our federal, state, local, tribal, and campus law enforcement partners.

Combining the resources of law enforcement agencies across the United States has proven to be an effective method of addressing crime, and is essential for the success of our shared mission to protect the nation against terrorism.

## Police Executive Fellowship Program

The Police Executive Fellowship Program (PEFP) is a six-month program which offers an opportunity for state, local, tribal, and campus law enforcement executives to provide their expertise in areas which will mutually improve information and intelligence sharing within the law enforcement community. The PEFP involves the selection of management-level law enforcement officials to work at FBI Headquarters in Washington, D.C., to contribute expertise and provide a local perspective to national and international law enforcement issues.

Some of the FBI components that participate in the program include the Critical Incident Response Group, Terrorist Screening Center, Office of Partner Engagement, and the Criminal, Cyber, and Counterterrorism Divisions. Each Fellow's skills and experience will be considered for placement in programs including, but not limited to:

### ★ Criminal Investigative Division

The **Criminal Investigative Division (CID)** will embed a Police Executive Fellow in the division's **Executive Staff** to help support the Assistant Director's management of the FBI's national criminal programs. The Fellow will work alongside CID's Executive Staff, which consists of FBI Supervisory Special Agents and Management and Program Analysts, to advise CID's Executive Management on top priority matters. The Fellow will be called upon to bring a local vision to decision-making and messaging on national criminal strategy, program management, training, policy, congressional affairs, and ad hoc executive requests. This partnership will enhance and broaden the CID Executive Staff's overall support of CID's Executive Management and promote integration of the law enforcement community.

The **La Cosa Nostra/Outlaw Motorcycle Gang/Major Theft Operations Unit** has an opening for a Police Executive Fellow within the Major Theft (MT) program. The primary function of the MT program is to provide guidance and assistance to combat cargo, vehicle, retail, jewelry and gem, and art and antiquities theft. The unit encourages robust liaison with the public/private sector, and law enforcement partners to assist in mitigating significant theft issues.

The **Safe Streets and Gang Unit (SSGU)** administers and program manages 163 Violent Gang Safe Streets Task Forces (VGSSTFs) nationwide. The purpose of these task forces is to aggressively identify, prioritize, and target the most violent street and prison gangs throughout the nation with the goal of disrupting and dismantling them. Each VGSSTF is composed of FBI Agents and personnel from local, state and federal law enforcement partners. The SSGU further absorbed and oversees the FBI's MS-13 National Gang Task Force and Transnational Anti-Gang Teams which were established to coordinate and address the threat posed by the MS-13/18 Street Gang emanating from Central America.

The **National Gang Intelligence Center (NGIC)** was established by Congress in 2005 in order to support law enforcement agencies through timely and accurate information sharing and to provide strategic and tactical analysis to federal, state, and local law enforcement. A multi-agency fusion center, the NGIC integrates its resources to investigate and study the growth, migration, and criminal networks of gangs that pose a significant threat to com-

munities throughout the United States. A key function of the NGIC is to educate the law enforcement community on all matters relevant to gangs. NGIC analysts use their subject matter expertise to train state, local, and federal gang investigators across the nation. The NGIC further educates law enforcement by integrating its resources to create and disseminate intelligence products that ultimately widen awareness and promote officer safety.

### ★ Cyber Division

The **National Cyber Investigative Joint Task Force (NCIJTF)** is a multi-agency cyber center that serves as the national focal point for coordinating, integrating, and sharing information related to cyber threat investigations. The task force performs its role through the cooperation and collaboration of its nineteen co-located partner agencies, its four affiliate member agencies, and its on-site representatives from both international partners and state and local law enforcement organizations. Members have access to a unique, comprehensive view of the nation's cyber threat while working together in a collaborative environment in which they maintain the authorities and responsibilities of their home agencies.

### ★ Counterterrorism Division

The **National Joint Terrorism Task Force (NJTTF)** operates a multi-agency task force that serves as a point of fusion for collaboration and effective sharing of terrorism intelligence between its 40 co-located agencies as well as manages all JTTFs in the field. There are openings for a Police Executive Fellow on two sub-programs within the NJTTF, the **Campus Liaison Program (CLP)** and **Rail Security Program (RSP)**. The CLP enhances liaison relationships with colleges and universities to increase mutual cooperation and information sharing between campuses and JTTFs, while the RSP disseminates rail-related terrorism intelligence to JTTF Rail Liaison Agents for purposes of sharing with state and local law enforcement and private sector security partners to prevent, disrupt, and defeat criminal acts of terrorism directed toward U.S. rail assets.

### ★ Critical Incident Response Group

The **Violent Criminal Apprehension Program (ViCAP)** is a nationally recognized repository for cases involving serial or unusual homicides and sexual assaults, as well as missing persons and unidentified remains where foul play



is suspected. Housed within the FBI's Behavioral Analysis Unit, the ViCAP maintains this unique database for law enforcement only access via the Internet and provides FBI link analysis and investigative assistance to agencies tasked with solving these challenging crimes. Among its accomplishments is the establishment of the highly successful **Highway Serial Killings Initiative**, a nationwide program focused on providing law enforcement agencies information to help solve serial homicides committed by particularly elusive and transient offenders.

### ★ Terrorist Screening Center

The **Terrorist Screening Center (TSC)** operates a 24/7 Operations Center to assist law enforcement, intelligence agencies, and other government authorities. Analysts work with callers to determine whether the person encountered is a positive or negative identity match to a known or appropriately suspected terrorist watchlisted by the TSC.

### ★ Office of Partner Engagement

The **Active Shooter Initiative** provides oversight to FBI Headquarters and field office activities in support of the agency's Active Shooter Initiative. The Police Executive Fellow will work alongside a Senior Executive who represents the FBI and the Department of Justice on a **White House Interagency Committee**, coordinating activities related to the 2015 Federal Action Plan for Active Shooter Preparedness. In addition to participating in policy discussions with other members of the federal executive, the Fellow will help coordinate several initiatives to provide direct support to state, local, tribal and campus law enforcement.

The **Joint Counterterrorism Assessment Team (JCAT)** sits in the National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC), where Police Executive Fellows collaborate with NCTC, DHS, and FBI analysts, as well as other members of the Intelligence Community (IC). The JCAT is proactive in liaison and research to produce and disseminate counterterrorism intelligence products for federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial (FSLTT) government agencies and the private sector, and advocates for FSLTT needs throughout the IC. **(This fellowship is for one year.)**

## PEFP Eligibility Criteria

Candidate must be a full-time, sworn officer of a duly constituted law enforcement agency of a state, county, municipality, tribal, or campus community (excluding elected officials) having at least five years of substantially continuous experience:

- Candidate must be nominated by the head of his/her agency;
- Candidate holds the equivalent rank of lieutenant or above;
- Candidate is of excellent character and enjoys a reputation of professional integrity;
- Candidate must agree to undergo a full background investigation and a counterintelligence polygraph examination;
- Candidate agrees to remain in law enforcement for a minimum of three years upon completion of the Police Executive Fellowship Program; and
- Candidate's agency must agree to continue candidate's salary for the duration of the six-month temporary duty assignment.

## PEFP Nomination Criteria

Candidate must submit a completed Police Executive Fellowship Program application and nomination form to the nearest FBI field office.

## Executive Fellows Receive

Lodging, subsistence, and travel costs will be borne by the FBI. The FBI will also afford each Fellow three return trips home to conduct personal business; a Top Secret security clearance; and United States Marshals Service Special Deputation.

## For Additional Information

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