

# Law Enforcement Elder Justice Resource Guide









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# Here's How We Can Help

It is often the case that having the right training or tools can make all the difference between successfully identifying and prosecuting a crime or not. That is why the Department of Justice has prioritized making sure that local, state and federal law enforcement officers have the training, tools, and resources necessary to effectively respond to elder abuse, neglect, financial fraud and exploitation. This Law Enforcement Elder Justice Resource Guide is a compilation of all those resources and we hope a meaningful contribution to our collective effort to promote justice for older Americans.

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# DOJ Elder Justice Websites

### **ELDER JUSTICE INITIATIVE (EJI) LAW ENFORCEMENT WERPAGE**

Designed for law enforcement, this webpage provides information and training to more effectively respond to crimes against older adults.



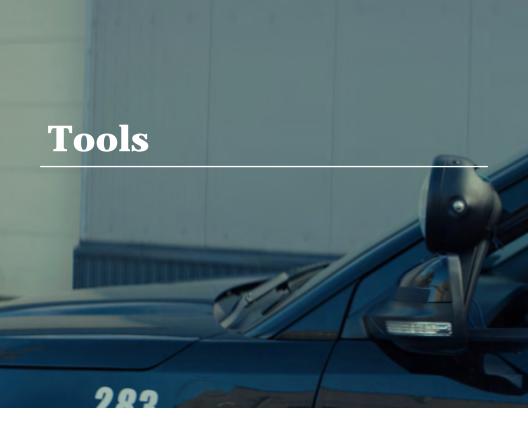
EJI Law Enforcement Webpage >

### COPS OFFICE ELDER JUSTICE TRAINING PORTAL

This training portal provides training, articles, guides, publications, and reports, podcasts, toolkits, and other websites and resources.



**COPS Office Elder Justice Webpage** 



# EAGLE (ELDER ABUSE GUIDE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT)

Web module for law enforcement to better respond to elder abuse cases, including investigative checklists, quickly locate resources in their area, and engage in training activities.



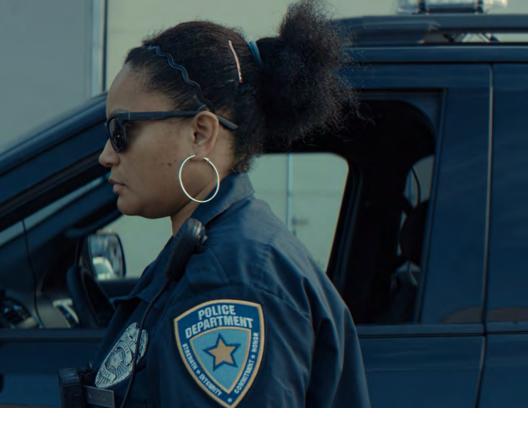
Visit **EAGLE** ▶



Get the **EAGLE Flyer** >



Sign up for the **EAGLE Newsletter** >



### SAFTA (SENIOR ABUSE FINANCIAL TRACKING AND ACCOUNTING) TOOL

SAFTA is an easy-to-use tool that provides a simplified method for identifying suspicious financial patterns to facilitate the prosecution of financial exploitation of older adults.



Visit SAFTA >



Get the **SAFTA Flyer** ▶



Watch the SAFTA Training Video >



REQUEST TRAINING

#### **EAGLE TRAINING**

Communities can apply to receive EAGLE Training for law enforcement and other elder justice professionals (in person or virtually).



Apply for EAGLE Training >

NW3C FINANCIAL CRIMES AGAINST SENIORS SEMINARS

NW3C can provide in-person training on financial crimes against seniors in your community.



Request NW3C Training >

# **Training**

#### EAGLE ONLINE ELDER ABUSE TRAINING

EAGLE Online Elder Abuse Training, offered through the National White Collar Crime Center, is mobile-friendly training certified by the IADLEST National Certification Program<sup>™</sup> for one hour of POST credit in **36 states**.



**EAGLE Online Training** >

### APPROACHING ALZHEIMER'S FIRST RESPONDER **TRAINING**

Approaching Alzheimer's: First Responder Training program is a free, online training that features highquality content in an interactive format, developed by the Alzheimer's Association with input from first responders.



Approaching Alzheimer's: First Responder Training >

#### COPS OFFICE ELDER JUSTICE PODCASTS

Three 5-minute **podcasts** on the role of law enforcement in elder abuse cases, collecting evidence in physical, sexual and neglect cases, and recognizing that financial exploitation is a crime.



Collecting Evidence in Elder Abuse and Neglect Cases >



Financial Exploitations & Scams Are a Crime:
Correcting Misperceptions and Collecting
Evidence

The Beat: A COPS Office Podcast

You Are Not Alone: A Law Enforcement
Approach to Monitoring the Needs of
Vulnerable Citizens >

#### ELDER ABUSE ROLL CALL VIDEOS

A series of six roll call videos designed for patrol officers to quickly recognize and respond to various types of elder abuse (financial exploitation, neglect, physical abuse, and false imprisonment).

Watch Elder Abuse Roll Call Videos

# INTERVIEWER TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS (NCEA)

7-minute video featuring law enforcement officers and experts providing best practices for interviewing older adults.

Interviewer Training for Law Enforcement
Officers Video



#### LAW ENFORCEMENT WEBINARS

The Elder Justice Initiative hosts an ongoing series of webinars, many of which are specifically designed for law enforcement working in the elder abuse arena.



Law Enforcement Webinars >

### RESPONDING TO ELDER ABUSE: WHAT LAW **ENFORCEMENT SHOULD KNOW**

A 15-minute video describing what law enforcement needs to know about elder abuse.



Responding to Elder Abuse: What Law Enforcement Should Know Video >

# VICTIM-CENTERED SOLUTIONS TO ELDER EXPLOITATION

Victim-Centered Solutions to Elder Exploitation is an online course offered by the National White Collar Crime Center (NW3C) featuring a series of ten victim-centered, interactive web-based training modules covering trauma informed promising practices for detecting and responding to elder financial exploitation.



Victim-Centered Solutions to Elder Exploitation Online Course ►



# **Peer Support and Technical Assistance**

### NATIONAL ELDER & DEPENDENT ADULT ABUSE (NEDAA) COMMUNITY

NEDAA Community is a secure online forum where prosecutors and investigators from across the country can learn from one another and collaborate on issues involving elder abuse prosecution.



To join, email: emartinelli@cdaa.org

### MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM (MDT) PEER SUPPORT COMMUNITY

Join the MDT Peer Support Community for elder justice MDT members to communicate with and learn from one another.



To join, email:

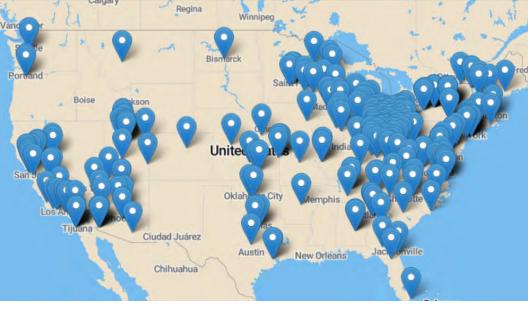
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## MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER (MDT TAC)

The MDT TAC provides tools, resource materials, and individualized consultations to facilitate the expansion of elder abuse case review MDTs across the nation.



MDT TAC >



#### **NETWORK LOCATOR MAP**

EJI has developed a Network Locator Map designed to enable elder justice professionals to locate and collaborate with elder justice networks/teams across the nation.



### **Network Locator Map**



Networks interested in being included in the Locator may contact:

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## **Educational Materials**

### LEGAL ISSUES RELATED TO ELDER ABUSE: A POCKET GUIDE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT >

A comprehensive guide for law enforcement responding to elder abuse, including a list of alternative charges and explanations for aspects of elder abuse such as powers of attorney and other legal terms.

## FINANCIAL CRIMES AGAINST THE ELDERLY PROBLEM-ORIENTED GUIDE FOR POLICE (2003) >

A comprehensive 88-page guide for law enforcement addressing the problem of financial crimes against the elderly.

# PHYSICAL AND EMOTIONAL ABUSE OF THE ELDERLY PROBLEM-ORIENTED GUIDE FOR POLICE (2010) >

A 64-page guide for law enforcement on responding to physical and emotional abuse of the elderly.

# RURAL AND TRIBAL ELDER JUSTICE RESOURCE GUIDE >

This guide presents resources for professionals, including law enforcement (pp. 22-23), as well as resources for community outreach.

#### WHAT IS ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES? >

Flyer for law enforcement explaining adult protective services (APS) and how working collaboratively with APS benefits law enforcement.



# Resources to Share with the Community

#### **EJI OUTREACH**

Find downloadable community presentations, elder abuse pamphlets and ways older adults can get involved in community activities to prevent elder abuse and financial exploitation.



EJI Outreach Webpage >

#### FJI OUTREACH IN SPANISH

Find information about types of elder abuse, how to avoid financial exploitation, and downloadable elder abuse pamphlets.



EJI Outreach Webpage in Spanish >



#### **NEIGHBORHOOD MAP**

The Neighborhood Map is a resource locator that can help you identify state level services and resources available to elder abuse victims and their families.



Neighborhood Map >



#### NATIONAL ELDER FRAUD HOTLINE

The National Elder Fraud Hotline has specially trained hotline operators to assist older victims of financial fraud and other forms of elder abuse.



National Elder Fraud Hotline Webpage

#### **ELDER ABUSE STORIES**

Learn about elder abuse by reading real stories of older adults who have experienced abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation.



Read Elder Abuse Stories >

You're **fighting elder abuse** on the front lines.

We've got your back.