



2025 WCPA Conference Agenda

Wednesday, October 22nd

Marriott Grand Ballroom

Waterfront Premier Hotel, Oshkosh, WI

7:15am – 8:30am

Arrival and Registration

(Coffee and doughnuts/fruit/muffin will be provided)

8:30am – 8:45am

Color Guard posting of colors. Welcome by President Joel Dhein, Introduction of WCPA Board of Directors, special guests & key personnel.
Conference instructions and overview by board member Peter Ehlert.

8:45am – 11:55am



THINLINE Psychological Services – Dr. Rachael Goldmann, PsyD., LPC

Dr. Goldman is an encyclopedia of mental health information and serves as an on-call consultant for any critical incident as part of the multi-jurisdictional SWAT team in Waukesha County Wisconsin. She works with law enforcement professionals and has extensive experience working with first responders. She specializes in treating and educating about Moral Injury, trauma/PTSD, and complex issues that can manifest from serving as a police officer or prior military.

12:00pm – 12:45pm

Lunch and WCPA Annual Meeting

1:00pm – 3:45pm

Law Enforcement Challenges Regarding Challenges Crypto Currency

Special Agents Jeffrey Lenzner and Courtney Ripp

This session will provide an overview of cryptocurrency and its impact in the criminal ecosystem. Attendees will learn more about cryptocurrencies, the ways criminals use cryptocurrency in illicit activity, criminal investigative strategies, open-source resources for investigations and trends criminals are using to scam vulnerable victims. We will be providing attendees with the resources to obtain relevant information from reporting parties to further cryptocurrency investigations.

3:45pm – 4:00pm

Day in Review and Preview of Day 3 Speakers and Events

Quick summary of Events and Raffle Ticket Give Away. Must be present to win.

(Break Times per Speaker)

WCPA Crime Prevention Certification Update – Joel Dhein

This session will discuss how this certification can benefit you, your department, and your community. The first three classes have been completed and were well received by all. Be one of the first to become a Wisconsin Crime Prevention Specialist. We will share the 2.5 day class success stories during this fast-paced 30 minutes.

6:00pm – 9:00pm

Special Event for all 3-Day Conference

Attendees.

(Food, Fun and Prizes!!! This network event always exceeds expectations.)

Thursday, October 23rd

7:00am – 7:45am

Breakfast

A hot breakfast with a fresh waterfront touch.

8:00am – 11:55am
(Break Times per Speaker)

“E.W.C. Alcohol Tobacco Enforcement”

Senior Master Patrolman Kenosha Police Department - Erich Weidner

Erich is a master patrolman in the KPD Tavern Unit. He is also an advanced Training instructor and law enforcement academy instructor at GT College. Officer Erich Weidner has 25(+) years of Law Enforcement experience. For the past 20 years he has been involved in the enforcement of alcohol and tobacco laws. This enforcement includes inspections at licensed businesses, enforcing laws at licensed businesses, criminal investigations at licensed establishments, and administering underage decoys programs. Officer Erich Weidner has trained over 200 Officers in the state of Wisconsin on these topics. He is currently sponsored by Molson Coors and is assisted by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue Alcohol/Tobacco agent with this training. Officer Erich Weidner will be presenting the appropriate methods and techniques to operate and administer an underage decoy program. He will provide real world examples and experiences in that area.

12:00pm – 12:40pm

Lunch

12:50pm - 1:05pm

Afternoon Session starts with Board of Directors Elections

12:45pm – 1:55pm

(Break Times per Speaker)

Homelessness Resources and Law Enforcement – Liz Croley, Coordinated Entry Specialist, City of Appleton Health Department

Liz will present on the current state of homelessness in Wisconsin, will explain the role of Coordinated Entry, and outline the Basic Needs Team, where civilian Health employees are embedded in the Police Department to help streamline communication and resources. Other discussion will outline the Community Resource Unit, Interagency Collaboration, and other efforts to get all resources at one table.

2:00pm – 3:10pm

(Break Times per Speaker)

CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) - Practical Applications in your community – Sgt. Christopher Biese, Community Liaison Officer, Appleton PD

Sgt. Biese is a certified Crime Prevention Specialist through WCPPA and has earned his CPTED Professional Designation through The NICP. He will discuss the most universally applied strategies, and practical implementation of them at a variety of forums in your community, such as residences, parks, businesses, and new developments.

3:15pm-4:15pm

Collaborative Action to Prevent Childhood Trauma: Handle with Care in Winnebago County - Jennifer Skolaski, PhD

- This session will share how OFR data revealed the deep connection between childhood trauma and substance use, prompting the adoption of the national Handle with Care model. Jennifer will share the plan's creation, and implementation in Winnebago County. Panel members will describe their role in identifying and communicating HWC alerts and explain how schools use those alerts to provide timely, trauma-informed support to students. Success stories will illustrate the real-world impact of this collaboration, and the session will close with time for audience questions and discussion. Participants will leave with a deeper understanding of how multi-sector partnerships can be used to reduce trauma and promote well-being in their communities.

6:00pm – 9:00pm

Enjoy the Oshkosh area with food and fun for everyone!

Friday, October 24th

7:00am – 8:15am

Hot Breakfast & Final Raffle Sales

8:15am – 10:00am
(Break Times per Speaker)

Read my Mind! Behavioral & Verbal Analysis Specialist – Bruce Jacobs
Even if you have watched Bruce in the past, you're behavioral and verbal recognition skills need to be refreshed. Bruce will help you get to the bottom line when it comes to pursuing your crime prevention and community policing goals by helping you recognize who the players are and who the pretenders are.

10:00am – 10:15am

Last chance to purchase raffle tickets

10:15am – 11:15am

Assistant District Attorney - Dane County -- Annie Jay (Legal Update)
Annie Jay is an Assistant District Attorney in Dane County and former Assistant Attorney General in the Criminal Litigation Unit of the Wisconsin Department of Justice where she handles a diverse caseload, including sexual assault, domestic violence and homicide as well providing training to law enforcement and prosecutors statewide.

11:15am-12:00pm

Raffle & Closing Remarks

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Agenda subject to change without notice