

## Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission

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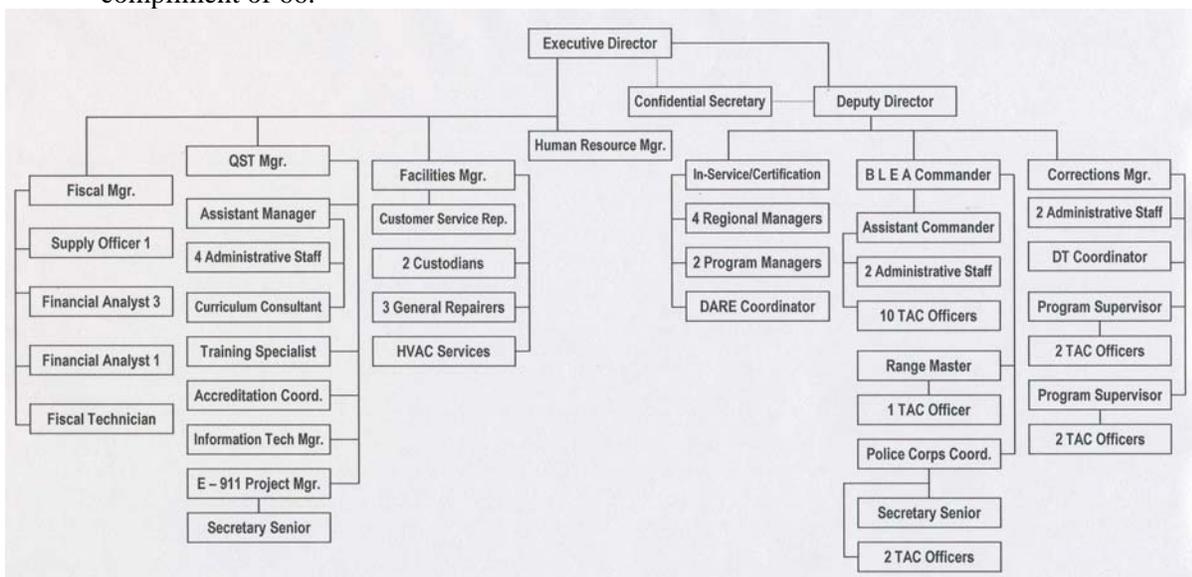
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### Agency Responsibilities

- Support to 14-member, Governor appointed, Commission and two Boards.
- Provide basic training to all law enforcement officers through the Basic Law Enforcement Academy with the exception of the Washington State Patrol.
- Provide basic training to all correctional officers to include the following organizations: Department of Corrections, DSHS Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration, County Juvenile Court Administrators, and city and county jails.
- Responsible for advanced and regional training to criminal justice system employees throughout Washington State.
- Certification of all peace officers within the state of Washington. Upon being hired by a law enforcement agency and completing all of the requirements for training in the Basic Law Enforcement Academy, an officer can be certified to work as a peace officer in the state of Washington. If the officer is convicted of a felony or certain other violations, then they can be decertified, which is to say, lose their peace officer status.
- Specialized training in areas such as child sexual abuse investigation, advanced defensive tactics, and management and executive leadership courses.
- Firearms certification for private detectives, security guards, and bail bond recovery agents.
- Provide a report to the Legislature every other year according to RCW 43.101.360.
- Statutory provision comes from the following RCWs: 43.101.020, 43.101.080, 43.101.085, 43.101.095, 43.101.105, 43.101.200, 43.101.220, 43.101.224, 43.101.250, 43.101.260, 43.101.310, and 43.101.360.

### Organization Chart and Budget

- The WSCJTC has 40 full-time employees and contracts with another 26 full-time staff, for a total compliment of 66.



- The WSCJTC has two programs, Training and Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC) funded with state funds. The Training program has a budget of \$17,126,000. The sources of this budget are Public Safety and Education Account (PSEA)-\$16,518,000, Death Investigations Account-\$148,000, and Municipal Criminal Justice Assistance-\$460,000. The WASPC program has a budget of \$1,688,000, which comes from the PSEA. The WSCJTC also receives approximately \$3 million in federal funding for the Police Corps program per biennium.
- The WSCJTC has a 14-member Commission, appointed to six-year terms by the Governor (RCW 43.101.030).
- The Executive Director of the WSCJTC is appointed by the Commission.

### **Most Pressing Issues or Challenges the Agency is facing**

There are five areas that address the future direction of the WSCJTC. These are a result of the demands made upon the WSCJTC and the continuing efforts to provide the best possible training to all of the customers who are served by this agency.

Due to limited resources and the expansion of capability in technology, there is a definite need to expand into the area known as electronic learning. It is possible to reach most of the 10,000 law enforcement officers and 8,000 correctional officers throughout the state of Washington by using Internet and/or CD based training. Rather than have officers travel, incur travel expenses, overtime, and lost work effort, it is possible to deliver training individually at the work site using a minimum amount of money; however, it still requires funding. The need for an in-service program has been recognized and is being addressed at this time; however, it is vital to use Internet and CD based training to provide sufficient in-service hours to each officer in this state. Without the use of technology the total cost to provide these training hours would be prohibitive, but with minimal funding these needs can be met.

The corrections profession must achieve the same status as law enforcement regarding the certification and decertification of correctional officers. Without this standard and the capability of removing inappropriate officers from the system, ever increasing liability will be incurred by the state and local jurisdictions. In addition to certification/decertification, there is a tremendous lack of training for correctional officers. The current number of hours required to be a correctional officer is 160 compared to law enforcement's 720 hours. At a minimum, the number of hours in corrections must be increased to 320 hours to improve job performance to mitigate some of the liability that is incurred.

The WSCJTC has a 35-acre facility located in Burien where a majority of the basic training is completed. Due to the increases in utilities, increased number of individuals using the facility, and expansion of space used at the facility, there is a significant need to provide serious preservation and minor works programs through the Capital Budget. The oldest dormitory at the facility must be replaced immediately due to serious safety and health issues, and this is being requested through the Capital Budget.

While the basic training programs are progressing in a positive manner, it is necessary to address training and standards which would include Field Training Officers (FTO), Reserve Officer programs, as well as leadership training for Chiefs, Sheriffs, Superintendents, and Jail Administrators. Training must be conducted in all of these areas to provide a complete training package, which will produce the desired results. Training needs to be integrated in a continuum of programming. Without proper standards and training for FTOs and leadership, there will be a severe disconnect resulting in poor outcomes. The reserve program is at the core of many of the small police agencies of the state and there are significant concerns that have not been addressed due to funding issues. This must be addressed as soon as possible.

An ongoing concern is the lack of funding for the WSCJTC. At the beginning of the agency, the Public Safety Education Account (PSEA) was the primary vehicle for funding of the WSCJTC. During the last several years many agencies are funded from this account, which has resulted in fewer funds being available for the expansion or improvement of needed programs. Realizing the difficult economic problems, which the state has faced, this is still a concern for the ongoing important public service the agency provides.

## Board Member Listing by Board Position

### CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING COMMISSION (HS090)

Agency 227 - Wa St Criminal Justice Train Comm	Senate Conf. N	Positions: Maximum 014
Authority Governor, statute	Public Disc. N	Minimum 000
Authoriztn. RCW 43.101.030	Term Length 072	Actual 014
Rem. Auth. GC	Meetings/Yr. 04	

Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
001	Thayer, Craig (Sheriff) PO Box 186 Colville, WA 99114	A	C	11/07/2002	06/30/2006
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Sheriff		

Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
002	Lucas, Garry (The Honorable) Sheriff, Clark County PO Box 410 Vancouver, WA 98666	A	C	07/01/2002	06/30/2008
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Sheriff		

Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
003	Kirkpatrick, Anne E. (Chief) PO Box 9718 Federal Way, WA 98063-9718	A	C	11/08/2002	06/30/2006
		Terms Served	00		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Police Chief		

Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
004	Daniels, Karen 2000 Lakeridge Drive SW Olympia, WA 98502	A	C	08/17/2004	06/30/2007
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	County Correctional Officer		

Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
005	Vail, Eldon PO Box 41101 Olympia, WA 98504	A	C	07/01/2004	06/30/2010
		Terms Served	02		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	State Correctional Representative		

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006	Metzger, Thomas A. PO Box 5070 Newport, WA 99156	A	C	03/18/2003	06/30/2006
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	County Prosecutor/ Municipal Attorney		

Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
007	Arnold, Judy (The Honorable) 5730 Sunrise Beach Road NW Olympia, WA 98502	A	C	07/09/1998	06/30/2004
		Terms Served	02		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Local Elected Official		

Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
008	Crawford, Ed (Chief) 220 - 4th Avenue South Kent, WA 98032	A	C	07/14/2004	06/30/2010
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	Police Chief		

Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
011	Boyce, William A. 14310 SE 256th Place Kent, WA 98042	A	AA	05/07/2003	06/30/2009
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	General Public		

Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
013	Amos, Michael L. 200 South 3rd Street Yakima, WA 98901	A	C	09/05/2001	06/30/2005
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	On-line city law enforce		

Pos. #	Name and Address	Status	Race	Appointed	Expires
014	Howerton, Earl Public Safety Building Spokane, WA 99260	A	C	02/10/2000	06/30/2005
		Terms Served	01		
		Position	a member		
		Comments	On-line County law enforce		