



RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Municipal Police Training Academy

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RIMPTA Training Announcement

Cultural Competency-LGBTQ

Program Date: February 2, 2018

Time: 0900-1300 hours

Location: RI Department of Public Safety
Municipal Police Training Academy
Classroom

Presented in conjunction with Sojourner House Cultural Competency has been designed to increase awareness, develop communication skills and improve service delivery within the law enforcement community.

Cultural competence refers to an ability to interact effectively with people of different cultures and socio-economic backgrounds, particularly in the context of government agencies, including law enforcement, whose employees work with, and provide service to, persons from different cultural/ethnic backgrounds.

Cultural competence comprises four components: (a) **Awareness** of one's own cultural worldview, (b) **Attitude** towards cultural differences, (c) **Knowledge** of different cultural practices and worldviews, and (d) **Cross-cultural skills**. Developing cultural competence results in an ability to understand, communicate with, and effectively interact with people across cultures.

Sarah DeCataldo, Director of Operations of Sojourner House will lead this newly revised four-hour program.



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Cultural Competency-LGBTQ Course Topics:

- **Understanding the language used by the LGBTQ communities**
- **Clarify the difference between gender identity and sexual orientation**
- **Confronting Biases**
- **Historical and current oppressions affecting LGBTQ communities**
- **Effective Communication Strategies**
- **Creating an LGBTQ inclusive environment**

Who should attend: All members of the law enforcement community who are entrusted to deliver services in a diverse community, to include; patrol officers, first line supervisors, dispatchers and command staff personnel.

Dress code for this workshop is uniform of the day or business attire.

This workshop is offered free of charge. To register, please complete the attached registration form and fax or e-mail to Mrs. Donna Lavalley at (401) 722-3151, donna.lavalley@risp.gov, by Monday January 29, 2018.

For more information regarding the Rhode Island Department of Public Safety Municipal Police Training Academy please go to: www.rimpa.ri.gov, click on Upcoming In-Service Training Opportunities.



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Course Title:		Police Department/Agency: (name and full address)	
Cultural Competency-LGBTQ			
Course Dates/Location: February 2, 2018 RI Department of Public Safety Municipal Police Training Academy Classroom	Contact Person (Supervisor):	Department/Business Phone:	
PARTICIPANT(S) NAME & RANK			
1 st Selection:			
E-Mail Address:			
2 nd Selection:			
E-Mail Address:			
3 rd Selection:			
E-Mail Address:			
<u>Please FAX or Email this form to the attention of:</u>			
Mrs. Donna Lavallee at donna.lavallee@risp.gov or (401) 722-3151 (Academy Fax)			
Please contact Captain David Ricciarelli at david.ricciarelli@risp.gov or (401) 722-7096, with any questions regarding this training. RSVP by date January 29, 2018			