



Program Brief

Columbus Division of Police CIT Intranet - Columbus, Ohio

Problem Statement: The City of Columbus is the county seat for Franklin County. Columbus is the capital and largest city in Ohio. The Columbus Division of Police (CPD) was established in 1816 and has over 1,800 officers. The Division covers 20 precincts across the greater Columbus metropolitan area.

The Division implemented Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training in 2003 and as of June 1, 2018 has trained 466 officers. The Division operates an officer Intranet and a dedicated CIT page was created in 2006 to provide training announcements and resources for not only CIT Officers but all personnel.

Program Overview: The Columbus Division of Police CIT Intranet was created to provide a platform of resources for officers. The Intranet can be accessed via a secure login by CIT trained Columbus Division of Police officers. The Intranet is available for officers on their mobile car computers and from the substation.

The Intranet consists of:

- Training announcements for CIT training and other applicable trainings
- Discussion section for officers to discuss a wide variety of topics. Discussions can include issues officers may have encountered with providers and/or clients, new resources that may be helpful, and questions or advice an officer may have
- Local drop-off and provider contact information
- Current list of CIT trained officers and their shift information. This allows non-CIT officers to see who on their zones is CIT and reach out for assistance
- Past CIT presentations



Screenshot of the Columbus Division of Police CIT Intranet

Outcomes: Officers have stated that this information is useful, and the Intranet allows them to provide agency contact information to citizens when many other resources are closed. In addition, the Intranet allows supervisors to determine which CIT officers are working in the areas they cover.

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