

Course Title: Introduction to Street Gangs

Location: Richmond Police Academy (Richmond, VA)
Thursday, September 15, 2005

Cardinal Criminal Justice Academy
March 2006 and August 2006 (exact dates pending)

Course Description:

The increased presence and activity of gangs in Virginia poses a direct threat to our families and local communities. In response, VCPI has created a new eight-hour training course to address this critical issue. Introduction to Street Gangs is designed to provide participants an improved understanding of the following topics:

- S Statistics regarding gangs in Virginia
- S New Virginia laws covering gangs and gang activity
- S Why and how people join people gangs
- S Gang mentality
- S Gang tattoos and graffiti
- S Gangs in Virginia such as Crips, Bloods, United Blood Nation, Mara Salvatrucha, prison gangs, motorcycle gangs, et cetera
- S Gangs in American popular culture
- S Gang prevention, suppression, and intervention

This course is a guaranteed attention-grabber and fosters fantastic discussions. VCPI recommends this training for all law enforcement personnel, gang investigators, probation and parole officers, school personnel, prosecuting attorneys, and those affiliated with gang reduction programs.

Maximum Enrollment: Class size is limited to 50 participants

In-Service Credit: 8 hours (no legal)

Tuition: \$80 per participant

Expenses: Participants are responsible for travel, lodging and meal costs

Please register on-line at www.vcpionline.org