



2025 Fall Training Symposium Agenda **SmartForce**[®]

Friday, October 10, 2025
7:30AM to 3:30PM

HOST:
Richmond Police Training Academy
1202 W Graham Rd, Richmond, VA 23220

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	Analyst Resources <i>Classroom 103</i>	Case Studies <i>Classroom 247</i>
07:30 – 08:15	Registration, Coffee & Networking	
08:20 – 08:30	Welcome, Business Meeting, Announcements	
08:45 – 09:45	Connected Car Investigations: Data, Devices, and Digital Clues in Major Crimes* Nick Falcicchio (<i>A.B.M. Intel</i>)	Identifying Human Trafficking Through Intersecting Crime Types – Part 1* Matthew Slagley and Special Agent Kate Freeman (<i>VA State Police/VA Fusion Center</i>)
10:00 – 11:00	Investigating Larger/Regional Crimes as a Small-Town Analyst Michelle Walczyk (<i>Culpeper Police Department</i>)	Identifying Human Trafficking Through Intersecting Crime Types – Part 2* Matthew Slagley and Special Agent Kate Freeman (<i>VA State Police/VA Fusion Center</i>)
11:00 – 11:45	Lunch – sponsored by SmartForce Technologies	
11:45 – 12:45	Sponsor Presentation by SmartForce Technologies and Crime Analyst Jeopardy! (Classroom 103)	
13:00 – 14:00	Responsible Use of AI in Crime Analysis Elliott Casey (<i>Virginia Commonwealth's Attorneys' Services Council</i>)	
14:15 – 15:15	Swoope! There It Is* Megan Cruz (<i>Richmond City Police Department</i>)	
15:15 – 15:30	Analyst Award Winners, Closing Remarks	
16:00-1900	Social Networking Event sponsored by SmartForce Technologies	

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Identifying Human Trafficking Through Intersecting Crime Types – Part 1*: The goal of this presentation is to educate analysts from non-trafficking disciplines on how human trafficking overlaps with a variety of public safety issues, including: narcotics, gangs, and missing children. Trafficking situations often involve overlaps with additional crimes, which is in part due to traffickers forcing victims to commit additional crimes as a method of controlling victims and preventing disclosure to law enforcement. The VSP Human Trafficking Unit often sees where human trafficking victims were encountered by law enforcement, who did not recognize trafficking indicators. We believe providing a framework to analysts will lead to better identification, investigation, and recovery.

Connected Car Investigations: Data, Devices, and Digital Clues in Major Crimes*: Modern vehicles are rolling data centers—and crime scenes on wheels. From onboard infotainment systems to third-party telematics, cellular data, the course demystifies the car as a witness in your investigation. Attendees will explore the practical, legal, and procedural aspects of acquiring and utilizing data obtained from connected vehicles. Whether you're working a high-profile missing persons case or tracking a carjacked SUV across state lines, this information arms you with the knowledge to bring vehicle-based digital evidence into your investigation.

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Identifying Human Trafficking Through Intersecting Crime Types – Part 2*: continuation from Part 1

Investigating Larger/Regional Crimes as a Small-Town Analyst: This presentation will focus on and provide tools to encourage analysts from smaller jurisdictions to take on those larger and/or regional investigations. No matter how big or small the agency may be, inevitably an incident involving a high-priority crime, an organized crime group or an offender from outside the area will come through and commit crimes in your jurisdiction. Often times, a smaller jurisdiction analyst may not have the knowledge, experience or resources to pursue these types of investigations as they are lengthy, time consuming and challenging. This presentation will provide you with basic guidance and resources to tackle those investigations, as well as some case investigation examples that I have been a part of.

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Responsible Use of AI in Crime Analysis: The rapid explosion of AI tools in the last couple of years provides opportunities and challenges for crime analysis in the 21st century. Is there a place for AI use in law enforcement? How can law enforcement use AI ethically, legally, and responsibly to protect their communities and serve public safety? This presentation will examine the current state of AI as a tool and provide insights into the effective use of AI.

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Swoope! There It Is*: In fall of 2019, the City of Richmond experienced a rash of smash and grab theft from motor vehicles in Richmond Police Department's Third Precinct, squarely located within the densely populated neighborhood of city's Fan District near Byrd Park. There was not much evidence to tie these incidents, other than proximity to same general geographic area. This presentation walks through how the Newton-Swoope method was used to generate a significant lead in this case across a large data set with no immediate connections, which lead to a search warrant on an apartment with a large amount of stolen items. The Newton-Swoope geoforensic method, developed by Milton Newton in 1980, utilizes geographic analysis to identify and characterize the spatial behavior of offenders related to crime scenes.

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