

New Law Enforcement Training Video Available from the IACP

The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) has recently released a roll call training video entitled, "**Bringing Sexual Assault Offenders to Justice: A Law Enforcement Response.**" This training video was developed with support from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women (OVW Grant # 2005-WT-AX-K077) to expand law enforcement educational efforts on the crime of sexual assault and accompany the *IACP Sexual Assault Guidelines* and *Investigative Strategies and Supplemental Report Form*.

The goal of the video is to help officers generate stronger cases by reframing sexual assault crimes, providing tools to conduct perpetrator-focused investigations, and building an understanding of victim behavior. "*Bringing Sexual Assault Offenders to Justice*" will help officers and others identify victim trauma and provide information about victim behavior (such as delayed reporting, alcohol or substance abuse, and encounters that start out consensually) that can be used to support a sexual assault report. This video also provides useful information detailing how perpetrators often have a history of unreported acts of sexual violence and may select victims with vulnerabilities to exploit.

We encourage you to **order copies of the video** for your own agency and to share with colleagues, **free of charge.**

Please direct all orders for the video and investigative guidelines, **by February 20th, 2012**, to:

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All IACP Violence Against Women resources can be found at: **<http://bit.ly/PoliceResponseToVAW>**.

A strong sexual assault training program will result in offenders being held accountable, fewer cases being dismissed, and ultimately increase successful prosecution.



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