New Jersey Law Enforcement Disability Awareness Training

The Niagara University First Responders Disability Awareness Training program and Values Into Action, Inc. are pleased to announce a Law Enforcement Disability Awareness Training course for the state of New Jersey. The ability to respond to individuals with disabilities has posed varying challenges to police officers across the country. High profile cases have exposed the need for more involved awareness and education regarding the characteristics and challenges some individuals pose. As the population increases and more individuals are active in the community, the need to ensure accurate and appropriate response is critical.

Endorsed by the New York State Division on Criminal Justice Services, this presentation will provide valuable information and resources while introducing NU’s comprehensive Train-the-Trainer program. Currently being conducted in New York and Arkansas, FRDAT is the only program in the nation that covers ALL disabilities that may challenge emergency responders and allows the department to own the customized curriculum and conduct the program per their training schedule. For more information visit our website at frdat.niagara.edu.

“The most helpful and useful part of the training was getting to understand signs and behavior in order to properly identify a disability in a person whom an officer may come in contact with.”
- Perth Amboy (NJ) Police Officer

“I really wasn't too enthusiastic about attending this training. I thought, 'How is disability training relevant to the police department?' Soon after the training started I realized it's very relevant to the police department and first responders. Whether a person with a disability is a victim or an offender, you need to realize why this person is responding or not responding in a certain way. Also, it's very good to know how to communicate. It's very important to know what to do and not to do, especially for the victim’s sake. This training is VERY relevant to police officers.”
- Police Captain (NY)

Presentation will be conducted by NU FRDAT’s Project Director David Whalen. Dave has been training a multitude of service providers and first responders in disability awareness for the past eleven years and has been working in the field of disability service/education since 1986.

Where: Burlington Co. Emergency Services Training Center
53 Academy Drive Westhampton, NJ 08060

When: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 9am-noon
       Wednesday, October 14, 2015 1pm-4pm
(Choose one)

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