

VALOR Digital Dispatch provides officer safety-related articles, resources, upcoming VALOR trainings, new resources added to the VALOR Web Portal, and research studies that are relevant for the law enforcement community. The Dispatch is provided to all members of the VALOR Web Portal, <u>www.valorforblue.org</u>. We encourage you to share this e-mail with other members of the law enforcement community.

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### Showcase Spotlight on Safety

**The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) VALOR Program introduces the latest Spotlight on Safety**, <u>Law Enforcement Professionalism: Set the Standard. Others Will</u> <u>Follow</u>. This series provides information to help law enforcement personnel understand why continued professional development matters to them, their departments, and their communities. Resources include an article, printable posters, podcasts, and other materials.

#### Professionalism



#### Law Enforcement Professionalism: Training Is the Key

American law enforcement is professional, effective, efficient, and often regarded as a model to follow worldwide. Some believe that a significant factor in the development of this professionalism is training, which imparts the knowledge, skills, and attitudes that form its foundation. <u>*Read more*</u>

## Mission Essential Research

Your continued professional development and training is critical to your safety and wellbeing, as well as that of your fellow officers and the community you serve. These topics are in areas that you may want to further research and explore.

#### Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Initiative



#### **BJA Fact Sheet**

The BVP provides critical resources to state, local, and tribal jurisdictions for the sole purpose of purchasing body armor for sworn law enforcement officers. The BVP reimburses jurisdictions up to 50 percent of the cost of each unit of eligible body armor purchased for law enforcement officers. <u>*Read more*</u>

#### **Body Armor**



#### A School Resource Officer Talks About Body Armor for Female Officers

Properly fitting body armor is crucial for law enforcement personnel. Deputy First Class Teresa Holland of the Frederick County, Maryland, Sheriff's Office discusses the challenges of getting the proper body-armor fit for female officers and the need for always wear a bullet-resistant vest. <u>*Read more*</u>

# Register for Training

- VALOR Essentials | July 25–27, 2017 | Lakewood, Colorado
- VALOR Terrorism-Related Officer Safety Strategies | July 28, 2017 | Mesa, Arizona
- 2017 Destination Zero Conference | August 3–4, 2017 | Orlando, Florida
- VALOR Train-the-Trainer Workshop | August 7, 2017 | Georgetown, Texas
- VALOR Terrorism-Related Officer Safety Strategies | August 7, 2017 | Garden City, Kansas
- VALOR Essentials | August 9–11, 2017 | Houston, Texas
- VALOR Terrorism-Related Officer Safety Strategies | August 10, 2017 | Nashville, Tennessee
- VALOR Essentials | August 15–17, 2017 | Miami, Florida
- VALOR Essentials | August 15–17, 2017 | Waterville, Maine

- VALOR Train-the-Trainer Workshop | August 16, 2017 | Little Rock, Arkansas
- VALOR Terrorism-Related Officer Safety Strategies | August 21, 2017 | Yakima, Washington
- VALOR Essentials | August 23–25, 2017 | Crownsville, Maryland
- VALOR Essentials | August 28–30, 2017 | Indio, California
- VALOR Terrorism-Related Officer Safety Strategies | September 6, 2017 | Salem, Oregon
- VALOR Terrorism-Related Officer Safety Strategies | September 19, 2017 | Appling, Georgia
- VALOR Terrorism-Related Officer Safety Strategies | September 26, 2017 | Brewer, Maine

### Have You Seen This?



#### **Destination Zero Conference!**

The BJA Destination Zero (DZ) Program is a collaborative effort between the VALOR Officer Safety Program and the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund and was designed to help law enforcement agencies improve the health and safety of their officers across the United States.

The two-day, no-cost conference will offer law enforcement professionals from around the nation an opportunity to hear about successful and/or promising officer safety and wellness programs and meet the people who developed them. Attendees will leave inspired to create, implement, and market programs in their own agencies. <u>Register now</u>!



The <u>VALOR Program</u> has released an improved eLearning environment geared to law enforcement officers, titled <u>VALOR</u> for <u>BlueLearning</u>. It provides access to online training modules, roll calls, and webinar recordings.

- Online Training: The Importance of Fitness for Law <u>Enforcement Professionals</u>
- Online Training: The Deadly Mix



#### T3—Tact, Tactics, and Trust<sup>™</sup> Training

**Basic Introductory Course** 

Monday, July 24, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., EST Elstad Auditorium, Gallaudet University 800 Florida Avenue, NE Washington, DC 20002 Find out more about this training and register now!





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