Crime Stoppers USA Annual Training Conference November 11-14, 2022









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Dear CSUSA Conference Attendees,

On the behalf of the Crime Stoppers USA Board of Directors, welcome to Orlando! We are thrilled you are here, and we know you will go home from this excellent training conference with a renewed enthusiasm and new ideas to implement into your Crime Stoppers Program.

We want to thank Barb Bergin with Central Florida Crimeline and her staff; Amy Hernandez, Julie Fillingim, and Linda Ridge, along with the Crime Line Board; for working extremely hard over the last year to provide you with this first-rate conference event and well-balanced training. We know you will leave here with valuable information that your program will use to enhance your program operations.

The networking opportunities are almost as important as the trainings so please mingle and meet new friends and interact with as many Crime Stoppers professionals as you can. Even though we all have the same mission and core values, each local program is unique in the way they go about delivering their message and because of that we can learn so much from each other.

The Crime Stoppers USA Board Members along with members of Crimeline will be available and happy to assist you in any way possible with any questions or concerns you may have. So, sit back, relax, listen to some powerful speakers with great ideas, and enjoy your visit. CSUSA's goal with these annual training conferences is ensure you have a productive and worthwhile experience.

Warmest Regards,

Chris Cameron

Crime Stoppers USA Chairman

Chris Cameron



On behalf of the Central Florida Crimeline Board of Directors we welcome everyone to Orlando. During your stay we encourage you to network with attendees, engage with the speakers, ask questions and share your success.

Contact our staff or CSUSA board members should you need anything. Be safe and have a great time here in Orlando.

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ASHLEY MOODY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Welcome Crime Stoppers,

Congratulations on being part of an organization that has helped law enforcement officers put criminals behind bars for more than 45 years.

The 27 Crime Stoppers offices across the state work as a team, dedicating themselves to ensuring the protection of the citizens in local communities. It is wonderful to see you all work together, supporting each other as well as the members of your communities.

I'm proud of the work that your organization and my office has done to fight crime. As a result of our joint efforts, we nearly doubled the amount of award money given for anonymous tips in murder cases that lead to an arrest from \$5,000 to \$9,500. This will incentivize more Floridians to share information and join us in helping law enforcement arrest criminals.

Proving that Florida sets the bar for innovative approaches to fighting crime, Crime Stoppers USA recently adopted our statewide anonymous tip line, **TIPS. We created the first-of-its-kind statewide tip line in 2020, to simplify the citizen crime reporting process. Now, anyone from across the country can report crime by dialing **TIPS, and their call will be automatically routed to the Crime Stoppers office in the region where the call generated.

I've enjoyed seeing how much the Florida Association of Crime Stoppers has grown over the past few years, and I know that it is the result of the hard work of its dedicated team members. I hope that this training conference will prove valuable to you, and that this opportunity to network with others and collaborate will result in new ideas in our fight against crime. By working together to keep our state safe from criminals, we can build a Stronger, Safer Florida

Best wishes for a successful conference.

Sincerely,

Ashley Moody Attorney General November 11, 2022

Welcome Crime Stoppers,

On behalf of the Orange County Sheriff's Office, I want to welcome you to the 2022 Crime Stoppers USA Conference. As you may know, Crime Stoppers started in 1976 and has since grown to programs that span the United States, Canada, Caribbean, Latin America, Europe, and Australia.

The Orange County Sheriff's Office values our partnership with Central Florida Crimeline – and supports its mission of keeping Central Florida safe by assisting law enforcement agencies in solving crimes. And, Crimeline offers its services and rewards at no cost to all Central Florida law enforcement agencies.

The work you do is so important because it enables people to come forward, anonymously, to help us solve crimes and keep our communities safe. Over the past 12 months, the Orange County Sheriff's Office has received more than 1500 tips from Central Florida Crimeline. This partnership has generated investigative leads, and even arrests, for our agency.

Through the use of innovative technology, training and networking opportunities, like Crime Stoppers USA is providing this week, we can all continue working together to keep our communities safe.

I hope you enjoy the conference. If there is anything you need while you are visiting Orange County, please let us know.

Sincerely,

John W. Mina Sheriff

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On behalf of the City of Orlando, I want to welcome you to The City Beautiful for Crime Stoppers USA's 2022 Annual Training Conference. We are thrilled to be hosting this event in our city.

The conference is designed to help you learn and share in order to continue preventing and solving crime in communities across the country. I hope you'll join me in celebrating and thanking the team from Central Florida Crimeline who are hosting the conference. I am also grateful for their efforts each and every day to help keep Orlando safe and for their partnership with the Orlando Police Department.

I invite you to explore our community during your visit. You probably know that Orlando is America's most-visited destination, but there is so much more. Orlando is vibrant, inclusive and has so much to offer.

Here imagination becomes reality at our world-class theme parks and attractions. But our city is also filled with authentic experiences. We're proud of our always growing food scene, arts and cultural offerings, sporting events and thriving small business districts located throughout our community.

In Orlando, there's something for everyone, giving you endless possibilities to create meaningful experiences and memories during your time here.

I hope you have a wonderful and rewarding training conference, but are also able to enjoy some of the experiences that make Orlando unbelievably real.

Sincerely,

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