



Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board Executive Institute

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Dear Illinois Sworn Law Enforcement Officer

The Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board Executive Institute (ILETSBEI) is conducting a research project on *Police Interactions with Community Members (PICM)*. The purpose of this project is to gain a better understanding of characteristics and behaviors that are important in interacting with community members.

Study participants are asked to complete a 15-20 minute online survey considering officers' ratings of characteristics and behaviors that are important for citizen interactions. The information provided is anonymous and will be reported only in the aggregate (as group statistics). The data and information gathered will be used to consider how to strengthen the relationship between community members and law enforcement officers.

Survey Participants

Any sworn law enforcement officer in the state of Illinois may participate. The electronic survey is easily accessible by clicking on the [Police Interactions with Community Members \(PICM\) link](#).

The co-principal investigators for this research project are ILETSBEI staff member Joanne Kurt-Hilditch, PhD, Manager of Research and Development and Kimberley McClure, PhD, Professor of Psychology at Western Illinois University.

The Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board Executive Institute is pleased to conduct this research that will strengthen the relationship between police researchers and law enforcement officers for continued premium training and education for law enforcement in Illinois.

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