Gangs in the Texas Panhandle – Gangs 24/7:

This course addresses basic gang characteristics and intervention and prevention techniques. It will cover sociology and structure, definitions and criteria related to the Texas Penal Code, levels of association, and “Why They Join.” Non-verbal indicators, investigation techniques, how to work members, and the officer/gang member relationship will also be explored. The course will provide information on street gangs (including signs and tattoos), and gang influences and activities. You will learn about West Coast, East Coast, Midwest, Ethnic, People/Folk, and Prison Gangs and be exposed to the subsets most prevalent in Amarillo and surrounding areas.

Instructor:

Corporal Steve Powers has been with the Amarillo Police Department for over 30 years and served as a Uniform Division Crime Analyst for 17 of those years. He also worked as a gang officer and has tracked gang members and assisted with gang crime investigations for over 25 years. Powers was assigned to the Drive-By Response Team during its operation. He also has served as a school liaison officer. He holds TCOLE master and instructor certificates, and he has been a member of Texas Gang Investigators Association since 1995. Cpl. Powers has taught over 500 seminars on gang activity since 1993 in over 50 cities across Texas, Oklahoma and Canada for various law enforcement, civic, church, public school and PTA groups. He is active in the Texas Crime Stoppers program. Powers is also an instructor for the Panhandle Regional Law Enforcement Academy and has guest lectured for criminal justice, education, and sociology classes at both West Texas A&M University and Hardin-Simmons University. Powers served as a member of the Josh McDowell Right from Wrong Committee, working with youth ministry outreach in the Amarillo area, and served on the Special Olympics Region 16 Sports Games Committee for 20 years.

Testimonials from Previous Classes:

“Powers does a great job – very knowledgeable.”
“Timing of presentation was great – loved energy – loved materials.”
“Instructor and material were both excellent – gained valuable information.”
“Very informative – great class!”
“Educational and insightful.”
“Steve really knew his gangs. Presented very well. Enjoyed the class.”
“Excellent course. I have taken this class 3-4 times during the last 15 years or so, and Cpl. Powers is just as passionate about these kids today as he was the first time I took the course. Thank you.”
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Cost: $39.00 – (PRPC Sponsored – FREE for Qualifying Law Enforcement Officers)

“PRPC Sponsored” indicates the tuition and fees are paid for by the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission for municipal and county law enforcement officers in the top 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle.

Location: Amarillo College West Campus, Building C, Room 112, 6222 W. 9th Ave., Amarillo, Texas 79106

Directions: Take I-40 to the Bell Street Exit (North). Turn right on the West 9th Avenue Loop. Go under the overpass and through the first light. The Amarillo College West Campus is on the right. Building C is located on the back of the campus.

Target Audience/CEUs
Law enforcement, corrections, probation, parole, school personnel, counselors, and caseworkers.

TCOLE credit provided and TJJD credit requested. CEUs will be awarded for Social Workers and LPC/LMFTs. Amarillo College is approved by the State Board of Educator Certification as a provider of Continuing Professional Education (CPE). General CEUs will be awarded to all participants. For successful completion, this program must be attended in its entirety.

Enrollment Eligibility Notice: Students with outstanding obligations to Amarillo College may not be allowed to enroll in or complete a continuing education course until the obligations are fulfilled. Students who have received a Criminal Trespass Warning from Amarillo College will not be allowed to enroll in courses held on any AC campus unless the warning has been lifted.

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Registration Form (Fax or Mail)

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PLEASE CHOOSE FROM THESE DATE OPTIONS:
[ ] Thursday, October 8, 2015 - $39
[ ] Friday, October 9, 2015 - $39

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TCOLE P_ID#: ____________________________

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