

# Crime Analysts of Illinois Association, Inc

The Crime Analysts of Illinois (CAI) is the largest professional organization for Crime Analysts in Illinois and was founded over 10 years ago. Our focus is on helping professional crime analysts within the law enforcement community of Illinois with training, networking, and professional development.

## Mission Statement

*The Crime Analysts of Illinois Association is an organization dedicated to enhancing the effectiveness and overall knowledge in the fields of crime and intelligence analysis. Crime analysis is the identification, analysis and reporting of methods, patterns, and trends in criminal activity. The Crime Analysts of Illinois Association also provides practical educational opportunities and training to create a network for the standardization of analytical techniques, which will help to bring a safer and higher quality of life to the communities we serve.*

## Membership Benefits

### Monthly Meetings

Member participation is critical to achieving our mission. Your crime analyst is invited to attend a monthly meeting held in the Chicagoland area, usually on the third Thursday of each month. Crime trends and patterns are discussed by each agency representative and compared to patterns and trends from other areas. It is hoped that similar incident and suspect information can be gathered and linked and in the past this has resulted in the successful apprehension of offenders in major crime patterns.

### Training

Training is often conducted by a CAI member in an area of their specialty. Past topics have included crime series identification, analysis, and forecasting; crime mapping; firearm tracing; auto theft analysis; and detailed discussions of outside training sessions. Your analyst will also be given the opportunity to learn of other training classes and seminars pertinent to the position. In 2007 we were able to put on a day long computer mapping training on the ArcGIS software. This training was free to CAI members.

### Networking

CAI brings valuable networking opportunities to your agency, keeping your analyst in contact with others who have advanced knowledge and experience with analytical methods and procedures.

### Web Site

CAI maintains a web site that includes meeting and training schedules, a member listing, links to other sites and training opportunities, as well as a bulk email function for member agencies. The site is being expanded to allow posting of crime information, which can be searched by other members for similarities to their incidents. <http://www.crimeanalystsofil.org/>

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