

**MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
DIVISION OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION
MONTANA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY BUREAU**

**INFORMATION PERTAINING TO EDUCATION AND TRAINING REGARDING
PROHIBITIONS AGAINST RACIAL PROFILING**

The 2005 legislative session amended 44-2-117 (MCA) to include the following;

1. Mandated P.O.S.T. approved training for all law enforcement officers, and
2. All law enforcement agencies are required to adopt a policy on Prohibitions on Racial Profiling which must include a specific complaint procedure.

The Montana Law Enforcement Academy responded with the following;

1. August, 2005 - Montana Peace Officers Standards and Training Council approves MLEA lesson plan pertaining to Prohibitions on Racial Profiling and Cultural Awareness.
2. MLEA begins free training to all law enforcement officers.
3. MLEA conducts 36 training sessions in 24 different locations across Montana including the cities of Cut Bank, Havre, Great Falls and Billings. A total of **1427** officers are trained in these sessions.
4. MLEA conducts Prohibitions on Racial Profiling and Cultural Awareness in the Law Enforcement Officers Basic Course since September, 2002 with a total of **454** officers trained. This training was conducted prior to the Legislative mandate requiring training to law enforcement officers.
5. MLEA accredits courses taught by certified instructors in 10 other locations to **210** officers.
6. The total number of law enforcement officers trained in Montana to date is **2091**.
7. MLEA distributes to every law enforcement agency in Montana the new Model Policy Guideline on Racial Profiling in March of 2006.
8. MLEA writes each of the urban Indian centers in the state requesting information on any known complaints brought against law enforcement officers pertaining to Racial Profiling in April 2006. To date no responses have been received.
9. MLEA partners with the Missoula Police Department to provide Officer Mark Blood to teach courses pertaining to Prohibitions on Racial Profiling and Cultural Awareness in May 2006.
10. MLEA coordinates content of training with Missoula Police Officer Mark Blood and Ms. Janet Robideau, Executive Director of the Indian Peoples Action Group.
11. MLEA presents to the Law Enforcement Officer Basic Course - Prohibitions on Racial Profiling and Cultural Awareness on September 15, 2006. This course is evaluated by Ms. Janet Robideau and Aaron Young. Ms. Robideau provides praise on the delivery and content of the course.
12. MLEA delivers 2006 Revision of Model Policies and Guidelines to **205** administrators and officers of law enforcement agencies in 34 different locations in October and November, 2006. This includes policies pertaining to prohibitions and complaint procedures on acceptance and investigation of complaints pertaining to racial profiling.