MTIBRS Training & Technical Assistance

Offenses We Validate & Why

- Why do we reach out about these particular offenses?

Offenses We Validate

- ▶ Homicides
  - ▶ Deliberate Homicide
  - ▶ Negligent Homicide
  - ▶ Justifiable Homicide

- ▶ Human Trafficking
  - ▶ Involuntary Servitude
  - ▶ Sexual Servitude

- ▶ Hate Crimes

- ▶ Cargo Thefts

- ▶ Burglaries

- Throughout the year, we reach out to agencies when certain offenses are submitted. We do our best to reach out around submittal date, but sometimes we get a little behind due to other priorities.
- Yes, believe it or not, these offense sometimes get submitted in error
- Burglaries – only by direction of the FBI when something within the incident seems a little "amiss"

Homicides

- A homicide is the killing of one person, by another
- Due to the severity of the crime, these are carefully monitored by the FBI and SAC Staff
- Why we might reach out:
  - No media coverage of the incident, including online, television, etc.
  - Potentially an Attempted Homicide?
  - Coverage of the incident but no NIBRs submission
    - Basic information in incident = submit!
    - Infinite number of incident updates

- Montana has a lower than average Homicide rate compared to the rest of the country
- Currently, the FBI only requests numbers on Deliberate and Negligent Homicide – they do not request information on our DUI Vehicular Homicides, which we have had three this year.
- Many of those in law enforcement are still under the impression that an incident cannot be submitted until the investigation is complete – this is inaccurate. As soon as you have basic information on an incident, any incident, it can be submitted and then later updated an infinite number of times.
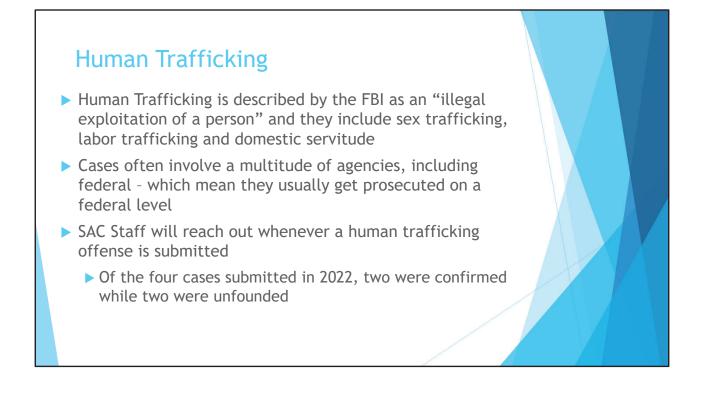
Hate Crimes

- A hate crime is a "committed criminal offense which is motivated, in whole or in part, by the offender's bias(es) against: race, religion, disability, sexual orientation, ethnicity, gender, gender identity"
- Hate Crimes are carefully monitored by the FBI and SAC Staff
- For systems on the flat file system, we reach out regarding EVERY crime listed with a bias
- For systems on XML, narratives are automatically submitted to us when a crime is listed with a bias
- Remind your officers NOT to select "unknown" unless they have evidence to suggest that it was *possible* element*!*

Cargo Theft

▶ A cargo theft is "the criminal taking of any cargo including, but not limited to, goods, chattels, money, or baggage that constitutes, in whole or in part, a commercial shipment of freight moving in commerce"

▶ According to the FBI, cargo theft is a multi-billion-dollar criminal enterprise in the U.S.

▶ Of the 31 that were submitted to us last year, 3 were confirmed as cargo thefts

▶ For systems on the flat file system, we reach out regarding EVERY crime listed as a cargo theft

▶ For systems on XML, narratives are automatically submitted to us when a crime is listed as a cargo theft

Must be within the delivery pipeline. Not for UPS/FedEx items stolen off door steps.

Human Trafficking

▶ Human Trafficking is described by the FBI as an "illegal exploitation of a person" and they include sex trafficking, labor trafficking and domestic servitude

▶ Cases often involve a multitude of agencies, including federal – which mean they usually get prosecuted on a federal level

▶ SAC Staff will reach out whenever a human trafficking offense is submitted

  ▶ Of the four cases submitted in 2022, two were confirmed while two were unfounded

Burglaries

- SAC Staff do *not* monitor all burglaries that are submitted
- The FBI does monitor certain burglary elements, including:
  - Number of premises entered, I.E., the "hotel rule"
  - Property Value Loss
  - Agency Trends
- The FBI contacts SAC if an element needs to be verified, such as:
  - An Item Valued at $1,000,000
  - Location listed as residential, but 19 premises entered

Bottom Line…

- We trust agencies to enter accurate data & only reach out when absolutely necessary

- The human element – we all make mistakes!
  - Officer fumbles
  - Programming issues
  - Repository bugs

- Strive to ensure integrity of ALL data!

We at the SAC unit strive to ensure the integrity of all data submitted. We take our roles seriously, as it is a big responsibility, especially if you look big picture. Your data include the voices of countless victims and we want to make sure that they are heard at the end of the day. In other words, the data that you submit to us IS important and does make a difference!

"JUST THE FACTS"

What's coming up?

Check out our website for the 2023 topics
https://mbcc.mt.gov/Data/MTIBRS-Training

- **Go to https://mbcc.mt.gov/Data/MTIBRS-Training to register for all 2022 sessions. Make sure to bookmark this page.**
- Future Just the Facts Training:

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