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This year's conference features unique keynote speakers, educational panels, interactive meetings and sessions, and opportunities to collaborate and network with practitioners from both public and private sectors. The 2024 IJIS Community Forum is centered around the need for collaboration at all levels in the time of crisis, specifically addressing topics including the health and safety of our communicates, gun violence mitigation programs, opportunities and challenges related new technologies including Artificial Intelligence and the science of DNA, as well as adapting to an ever-changing culture and the impacts on our workplace. We will also look at the crucial contribution of community partnerships in the advancement of safety and wellness, as well as the critical value analytic capabilities across public sector domains.

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COMMUNITY FORUM AGENDA

TUESDAY, APRIL 2		
12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	**Registration and Help Desk**	Cumberland Foyer
12:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	**IJIS Institute Advisory Committee Meetings (Observers Welcome)**	
12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	~ Corrections Advisory Committee	Salon A
	~ Technology and Architecture Advisory Committee	Salon B
	~ Justice and Public Safety Advanced Analytics Committee	Franklin
	~ Law Enforcement Advisory Committee	Brentwood
2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	**Networking Break**	
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	~ Emergency Communications and Response Advisory Committee	Salon A
	~ CJIS Advisory Committee	Salon B
	~ Courts Advisory Committee	Franklin

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	**Registration and Help Desk**	Cumberland Foyer
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	**Speaker Ready Room**	Robertson
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	**Networking Breakfast**	Salon C/D/E
9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	**Welcome and Opening Session** ○ **Maria Cardiellos**, Executive Director, IJIS Institute ○ **Presentation of Colors & National Anthem**, Metro Nashville Police Department Drill and Ceremony Team ○ **Pledge of Allegiance** ○ **Opening Comments - Rick Zak**, Chair, Board of Directors, IJIS Institute and Director of Data Governance & Policy, Microsoft	Salon C/D/E
9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	**Opening Keynote – Director David Rausch,** Tennessee Bureau of Investigation	Salon C/D/E
10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	**Networking Break**	Cumberland Foyer
10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	**Plenary Session #1 – Leadership Through Policy: Navigating Critical Challenges with Data, Analytics, and Innovation** ○ **Cindy Barnett-Ryan**, Senior Advisor for Policing Data, White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President (Invited)	Salon C/D/E
Explore how strategic policy initiatives, coupled with the strategic use of data and analytics, can examine and address pressing challenges. Delve into the intersection of innovation and federal governance, gaining insights into how these elements synergize to pave the way for impactful solutions. Join us for a profound discussion on the indispensable role of federal policy in shaping a future where data, analytics, and innovation converge to address and overcome today's critical issues.		
10:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	**Plenary Session #2 – Understanding the Mission, Challenges and Needs of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Policy Development and Research** ○ **Dr. Calvin C. Johnson**, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Research Evaluation and Monitoring, U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development	Salon C/D/E
With every aspect of our society, or federal department of operations, comes a unique set of operational goals, challenges and resulting needs. All federal departments contribute to the health and safety of our communities nationwide, and most uniquely that of the housing, urban and ultimately community development. The IJIS Collaboration Community has the rare opportunity to learn more of this body and how we might be able to contribute to its success.		
11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	**Plenary Session #3 – The Goal of Federal, State, and Local Law Enforcement Data Sharing** ○ **Brian Griffith,** Deputy Assistant Director, FBI CJIS	Salon C/D/E
This session brings an update from FBI CJIS Leadership to illuminate the critical significance of federal, state, and local data sharing in the context of national solutions. Explore the pivotal role of collaborative data initiatives in bolstering national security efforts and enhancing the effectiveness of law enforcement programs. Gain valuable insights into the challenges and triumphs of inter-agency information exchange, emphasizing the importance of seamless collaboration to navigate complex issues.		
11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	**Networking Lunch**	Salon C/D/E

1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.	**Plenary Session #4 – Operational / Analytic Program Responses to Community Safety Concerns** ○ **Lt. Colonel Joseph Brennan,** New Jersey State Police	Salon C/D/E

Discover how these agencies navigate health and safety concerns through innovative operational and analytic programs. Gain valuable insights into successful strategies, challenges faced, and the evolving landscape of law enforcement responses to contemporary public health issues. Don't miss this opportunity to explore the dynamic interplay between operations, analytics, and effective public safety initiatives.

1:45 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	**Plenary Session #5 – The Need for Improving Justice to Health Data Sharing** ○ **Jim Derry**, Founder and President, Derry Software ○ **Ron Larsen**, Program Manager, IJIS Institute (Moderator) ○ **Pat Knue**, PDMP TTAC Director, Institute for Intergovernmental Research	Salon C/D/E

Given the erosion of our communities contributed to by the increasing frequency of substance abuse disorder events, this panel examines the multifaceted communication and data-sharing needs that exist between law enforcement communities, drug courts, corrections, the communities they serve and more. Subject matter experts from these multiple disciplines, as well as practitioners that have made strides toward improvements will share their experiences and lessons learned.

2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	**Plenary Session #6 – The Great Value of the Regional Information Sharing System** ○ **Donna K. Williams**, Executive Director, Regional Organized Crime Information Center	Salon C/D/E

For over 50 years, the RISS Program has assisted local, state, federal, and tribal criminal justice partners by providing adaptive solutions and services that facilitate information sharing, support criminal investigations, and promote officer safety. This session will provide an update on recent accomplishments and services available to support the broader community.

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	**Networking Break**	Cumberland Foyer

3:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	**Breakout #1 – Critical Event Management: Preparation, Alerting Technologies, and Active Detection of Same for a Safer Tomorrow** ○ **Darin Dillard**, Vice President, Research and Development, Caliber Public Safety ○ **Todd Thompson**, Vice President, Strategic Development, Caliber Public Safety, ○ **Kelly Dignin**, Executive Director, Indiana Integrated Public Safety Commission ○ **Chase Hallman**, Deputy Director, Georgia Department of Corrections ○ **Linda Ziemba**, Founder and CEO, AeroDefense	Salon A/B

This insightful session will reveal how alert and detection technologies can play a critical role in enhancing organizational readiness for active-shooter situations in schools, the workplace and other secure environments by helping to prevent, or appropriately respond, to situations that increase the criticality and potential loss of life experienced during these events. In addition to gun violence, Corrections (jails and prisons) and the surrounding communities are now facing gang drug threats related to contraband and drone delivery space. As the frequency of critical events continues to rise with increased gun violence and gang and cartel related activities, the use of today's technology can be paramount to the safety and security of the Justice and Public Safety mission. Awareness, knowledge, and the development of an enhanced secure environment through the use of today's technology capabilities, provides actionable insights into fortifying organizational preparedness. While the

FAA 100% regulates air safety and drone flights, you will learn how GA DOC reacted to the increased threat to security and deployed technology to comply with laws regulating where drones can fly, and also how the use of drone detection technology by multiple agencies is used to apprehend and prosecute. In each of these scenarios, it becomes evident that our dynamic use of new technology can prevent these events, but collaboration is required as a collective effort to ensure a swift, effective, and well-coordinated response.

3:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	**Breakout #2 – Leading the Community in Embracing Evolving DNA Technologies – Policy, Funding, Training, and Privacy Implications** ○ **Lieutenant Paul Belli (Ret.),** Assistant Commander, Centralized Investigations Division (CID), Sacramento CA County Sheriff's Office; Immediate Past President of IHIA ○ **Major Ed O'Carroll (Ret.),** Bureau Chief, Major Crimes, Cyber and Forensics, Fairfax County VA Police Department	Brentwood/ Franklin

Speakers of this presentation will give a basic overview of where technological options for DNA identification methods exist today in the private and public space and the adoption curve of these methods across the nation. Speakers will share their personal experience utilizing new DNA identification methods and the value their agencies have garnered along the way. They will then present a series of issues agencies frequently face in adopting new technologies and provide recommended solutions.

4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	**Networking Break**	Cumberland Foyer
4:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	**Breakout #3 – Emergency Communications Interoperability – Accomplishments Realized and Challenges that Remain** ○ **Phil Winiarski,** Program Manager, IJIS Institute (Moderator) ○ **Bonnie Maney,** Operations Domain Manager, Mission Critical Partners ○ **First Sgt. Christopher Corea (Ret.),** Solutions Architect, Maryland Dept. of State Police, Information Technology Division ○ **Joe Mierwa,** Software Architect, Mission Critical Partners	Salon A/B

For decades, local communication responders have faced the challenges of efficient data-sharing across jurisdictions when collectively responding to an event. CAD interoperability was always the challenge. Learn about the accomplishments of a practitioner / policy / industry team that has realized success and understand the positive implications for the future! More – as our community needs continue to evolve to include 911/988 alignment and collaboration, explore how early adopters across states and jurisdictions are innovating by integrating 911 and 988 systems, policies, and procedures, as well as the challenges being tackled.

4:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	**Breakout #4 – Digital Evidence in Practice** ○ **Dennis Lowe**, HIDTA Task Force Commander ○ **Tanya L. Stauffer**, Practice Director, Innova Solutions ○ **Marc Messina,** Founder, Revir Technologies	Brentwood/ Franklin

The integration of digital evidence into the fabric of the criminal justice ecosystem is increasingly pivotal. As this integration progresses, there arises a pressing demand for comprehensive education, explaining the nature of digital evidence, its capabilities, and the solutions available. This session aims to offer an insightful overview of digital evidence, addressing key considerations, and spotlighting successful use cases to provide audience members with a nuanced understanding. Leveraging insights from their latest whitepaper, the LEITTF will contribute valuable perspectives to enrich the discussion.

5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	**Networking Reception**	Cumberland Foyer

Join the IJIS Institute Community Forum attendees, IJIS Institute leadership and staff, partner organizations, and our event sponsors for an evening of appetizers, cocktails, and networking. Enjoy live music and sound provided by Nashville area national singer-songwriting duo Eric Brace and Thomm Jutz throughout the reception!

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7:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.	**Networking Breakfast**	Salon C/D/E
8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	**Morning Announcements** ○ **Maria Cardiellos**, Executive Director, IJIS Institute	Salon C/D/E
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	**Keynote - David Bray, PhD**, Loomis Council Co-Chair & Distinguished Fellow	Salon C/D/E
10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	**Plenary Session #7 – Artificial Intelligence (AI) Unleashed – Navigating Operational Aspirations, Capabilities, and Policy Implications** ○ **Gerard Gallant**, CJIS Leader, Amazon Web Services ○ **Ben Bawden**, Brooks, Bawden, & Moore ○ **Ashwini Jarral**, Special Advisor, IJIS Institute (Moderator) This panel will address the great potential, the short-term realities, and the overarching policy implications. The session will bridge the gap between the great potential and the operational realities, shedding light on the policy implications that accompany this transformative technology. Join us for a thought-provoking journey through the promises, possibilities, and practicalities of AI, as we navigate its impact on society and discuss the course for responsible and innovative integration.	Salon C/D/E
10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	**Networking Break**	Cumberland Foyer
11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	**Plenary Session #8 - Bridging the Divide Between the Possible and the Realistic - and What Kind of Leadership is Necessary to Usher Success** ○ **Gordon Rudow**, Partner, OliverWyman In a world of constant change and disruptions, a careful balance between a methodical approach towards progress and enabling aspirational wins must be realized by our leaders of the future. How do we as public and private sector members balance the practical with the potential of the future, while supporting operational success to ensure the safety and health of our communities? Such is the discussion and dialogue that will encourage audience participation.	Salon C/D/E
11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.	**Plenary Session #9 – Standing at the Precipice of Change - the Value of Identifying and Creating a Self-Leadership Framework, Not Navigating Tomorrow's Environment** ○ **Brian Riggs**, Chief Executive Officer, Riggs Enterprise Corp. This interactive session will unravel the complexities of a changing culture and the impacts on our lives, organizations, and the health and safety of our communities. It will provide insights into strategic leadership approaches that empower organizations to navigate transformative journeys successfully. From fostering a resilient mindset to implementing effective communication strategies, attendees will glean practical tips and real-world examples.	Salon C/D/E

12:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	**Networking Lunch**	Salon C/D/E
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	**CJIS Security Policy Workshop** ○ **Jeff Campbell**, Deputy Information Security Officer, FBI CJIS Division, ISO Program Office	Salon C/D/E

This exclusive workshop will highlight the most recent changes and updates to the FBI CJIS Security Policy and provide practical guidance on implementing and maintaining CJIS compliance at justice agencies nationally or as part of technical solutions that support the agencies. Experts will guide participants through key amendments, new requirements, and emerging best practices that law enforcement agencies must adopt to maintain compliance and enhance their security posture.

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	**The Value of Responding to the Mental Health Crisis Workshop** ○ **Ashwini Jarral**, Special Advisor, IJIS Institute (Moderator) ○ **Bob Finney**, Director, Collier County Sheriff 911, Collier County, FL ○ **Sebrina Jackson**, 911 Operations Supervisor, Metro Nashville Department of Emergency Communications ○ **Carleigh Sailon**, LCSW, LAC, Project Manager, Law Enforcement, CSG Justice Center ○ **Ernie Stevens**, Deputy Division Director, Law Enforcement, CSG Justice Center ○ **Brian Blick,** QA/QI Manager, Denver 9-1-1 ○ **Robert May**, Program Director, IJIS Institute	Brentwood

This session will highlight prior justice and health initiatives by IJIS and CSG Justice Center, which have laid the groundwork for enhancing the synergy between law enforcement and behavioral health through various innovative collaborations. Topics will include utilizing artificial intelligence to screen and triage calls for service, how to capture cross system data, and how to leverage that data to inform crisis response. Methodologies for collecting data for behavioral health calls for service will be discussed to determine a national count. Also hear about new opportunities with 988 and how it will impact operations to help address this crisis as well as what works and what barriers still exist.

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	**Networking Break**	Cumberland Foyer
3:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	**CJIS Security Policy Workshop (continued)**	Salon C/D/E
3:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	**The Value of Responding to the Mental Health Crisis Workshop (continued)**	Brentwood
4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	**Closing Comments, Surveys and Prize Winner** ○ **Maria Cardiellos**, Executive Director, IJIS Institute	Salon C/D/E

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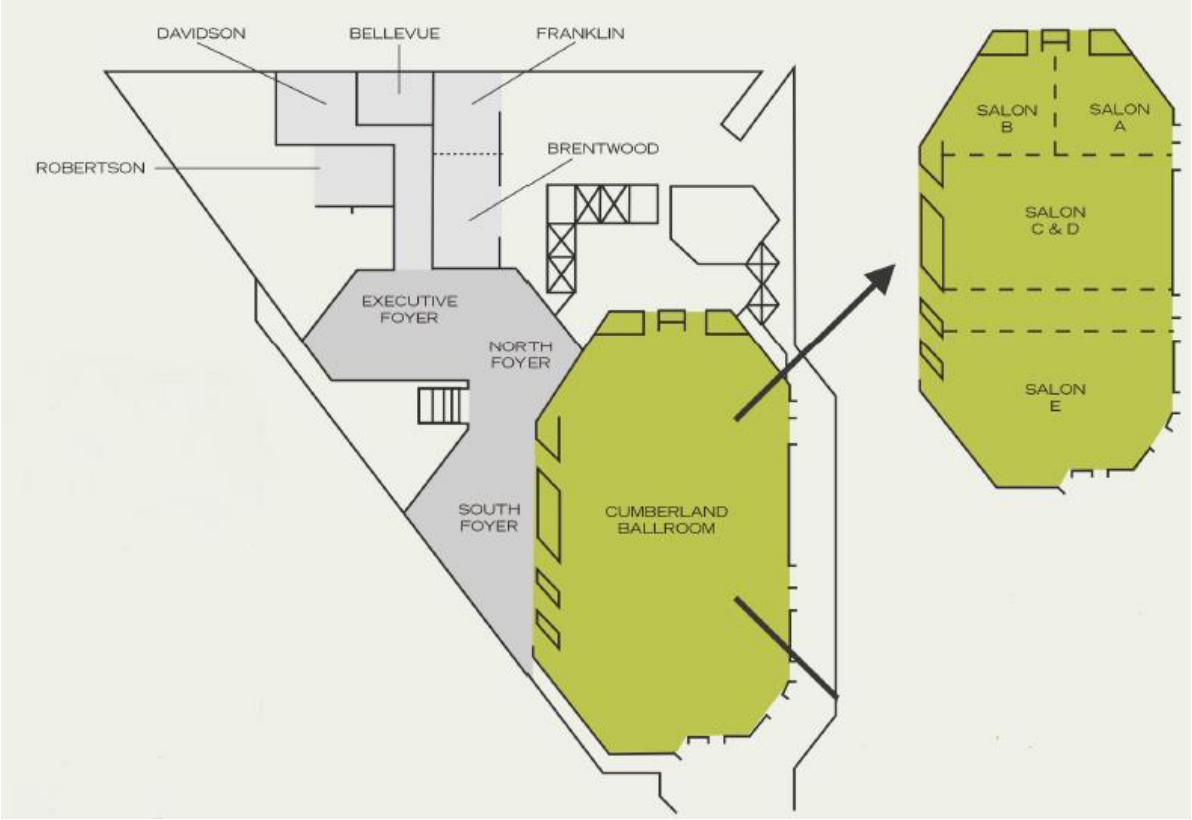

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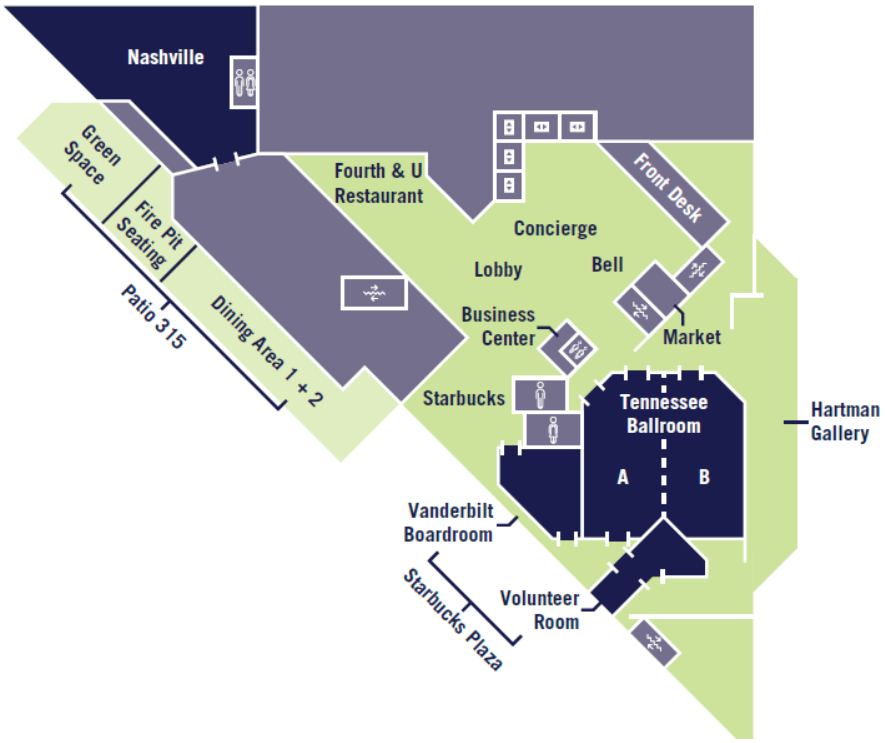

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