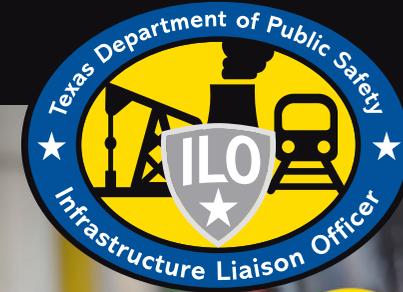


Our Mission:

To build a robust statewide network of public and private sector volunteers helping Texas law enforcement reduce vulnerabilities to critical infrastructure.



Infrastructure Liaison Officer Program



Contact Us Today

For additional information about our ILO program, and to request an application, email TIP@dps.texas.gov

Or visit our website:
<http://dps.texas.gov/IntelligenceCounterterrorism/ilo.htm>



Protecting Infrastructure
Protecting Texas
Protecting America

What's a Liaison Officer Program?

Liaison officer programs are networks of trusted volunteers or law enforcement officers who are selectively recruited and trained to partner with fusion centers, which house a diversity of local, state and federal law enforcement agencies. Liaison officers are trained to see and report suspicious activities to fusion centers across America. In turn, centers use the reporting to create investigative leads and intelligence to guard against all crime, including terrorism. As the state's only fusion center covering all of Texas 24/7, the Texas Department of Public Safety's Joint Crime Information Center (JCIC) invites you to join our Infrastructure Liaison Officer (ILO) corps. As an ILO, you will help us protect the state's nationally significant infrastructure, from the oil and gas industry and our electrical energy grid, to our railways and seaports. Together, we can make Texas – and the nation – safer and more secure. The JCIC houses representatives of 15 federal agencies, as well as personnel from many other state law enforcement agencies. By joining our ILO program, participants will have access to a unique concentration of law enforcement and intelligence capabilities to help solve crime problems.



What we will do for you

- Increase opportunities for owners and operators of Texas infrastructure to secure their facilities or assets from crime.
- Provide awareness of crime, sabotage, and terrorism threats by way of online seminars throughout the year and an annual training conference in Austin.
- Create a true community, bringing together diverse owners and operators who, through camaraderie and trust, receive and exchange information to the benefit of all.

What you will do for us

- Provide the right kind of quality suspicious activity REPORTING that we need to detect, deter and prevent crime and terrorism against infrastructure.
- Help the JCIC provide real-time intelligence information to law enforcement during critical incidents, on-scene responses, and for active time-sensitive investigations. We may ask for help when tragedy strikes.
- Provide a formal, structured partnership the State of Texas that transcends often-transitory individual relationships. The ILO program will increase the resiliency of the infrastructure protection-law enforcement partnership in Texas.

Who can be an ILO?

We seek committed, active partners to be our ILOs, initially demonstrated by completing 12-hours of training for certification. ILO's will be responsible for receiving, safeguarding and routing law enforcement-related information to appropriate decision-makers within their areas of responsibility for potential action and in anticipation of further collaboration with police. Commissioned officers whose duties might include protecting infrastructure are encouraged to apply and will receive up to eight hours of Texas Commission on Law Enforcement credit for attending training. Ideally, ILOs have:

- A minimum of five years experience in their sector industry or field, preferably with supervisory or management duties.
- Permission from a supervisor to participate.
- Agreed to undergo a criminal history background check (unless a commissioned officer).
- Signed a confidentiality agreement
- Completed eight ILO training hours.
- Demonstrated active participation over time.