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SACOP Report

February 2008 TACP Meeting

1. Preparation for Midyear Meeting – Alexandria Virginia

Issues from Tennessee Association of Chiefs of Police for IACP

Email has been sent out to all Southern States requesting agenda items to take up at the midyear meeting and to discuss during the “Day on the Hill”

To date only North Carolina has responded with two issues

1. Decreased funding for grant program such as Byrne/JAG
2. Federalizing collective bargaining

At the IACP conference in New Orleans, the following initiatives were prioritized by SACOP and the midyear meeting should provide the opportunity to hone these down and create strategies to work toward these goals.

SafeShield – with emphasis on data collection
Enhanced low cost training for small agencies
Collective Bargaining Issues
Federal funding issues for local law enforcement
SACOP’s scholarship program

SACOP Initiatives

SafeShield Committee reported on work toward a database to provide comprehensive information on officer injuries nationwide in attempts to increase risk management through practices and equipment.

Scholarship in works by the Smaller Departments Section to encourage first time attendance to Chiefs to the IACP conference. More will be discussed on this at the midyear conference.

Distance learning is a work in progress by IACP and is web based training at low costs for officers to access within the departments.

Collective Bargaining is being fought by IACP across the various divisions and is a priority.

Room exists for more unified voice apposing cuts to grant funds for law enforcement.