

Department of Iustice



Office of Justice Programs

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE CONTACT: MICHELLE SICAT-MORALES, 202-514-9605 JUNE 6, 2019 Michelle.Sicat@ojp.usdoj.gov

*****PUBLICATION ADVISORY*****

OJJDP RELEASES AMBER ALERT GUIDE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

WASHINGTON – When a child goes missing, an immediate, full-scale response is critically important. America's Missing: Broadcast Emergency Response Alert Program, or AMBER Alert, was founded in 1996 to expedite the recovery of abducted children. AMBER Alert is a partnership between law enforcement and transportation agencies, broadcasters and businesses that has helped recover 957 abducted children to date.

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention today released the AMBER Alert Field Guide for Law Enforcement Officers, which provides best practices from subject matter experts in AMBER Alert programs across the country. Topics include establishing leads and leads management, search and recovery operations, screening and training volunteers, interacting with abduction victims' families, managing media, and more.

TITLE: AMBER Alert Field Guide for Law Enforcement Officers

AUTHOR: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

WHERE: https://www.ojjdp.gov/pubs/252795.pdf

The Office of Justice Programs, directed by Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General Matt M. Dummermuth, provides federal leadership, grants, training, technical assistance and other resources to improve the nation's capacity to prevent and reduce crime, assist victims and enhance the rule of law by strengthening the criminal justice system. More information about OJP and its components can be found at www.ojp.gov.