



AVIATION UNIT MANAGER COURSE

**Broward County Convention Center | Room 209A
Monday, July 13 - Wednesday, July 15 | 0800 – 1700**

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COURSE OBJECTIVES: This course is designed to provide both the newly assigned and/or experienced aviation unit managers the latest information relative to aviation unit management in support of public safety operations. The student will obtain valuable guidance from experienced public safety professionals that will allow them to effectively and efficiently manage and lead their agency's aviation unit. Specific topics include aviation safety, personnel selection, organization, training, creative finance and budgeting, legal responsibilities, maintenance and SOP development – all geared toward what a public safety aviation unit manager must know. Successful completion requires attendance at all 24 hours of classroom courses. **Maximum enrollment: 70**

INTENDED AUDIENCE: This course is intended for public safety command staff, managers and unit supervisors responsible for management and supervision of public safety aviation units.

DAY ONE		
0800 – 0830	UMC Orientation	Don Roby
0830 – 1030	Unit Administration (Budgets and Records)	D. Roby / T. Minnis
1030 – 1200	Training Program Management	Ken Solosky
1200 – 1300	Lunch On Own	
1300 – 1400	Standards and Accreditation	Don Shinnamon
1400 – 1530	Aviation Safety Management	Chris Young
1530 – 1700	Fatigue and Sleep Deprivation	Dudley Crosson, PhD
DAY TWO		
0800 – 0930	Aviation Operations within ICS	Ken Solosky
0930 – 1030	Public Aircraft Operations	Don Roby
1030 – 1200	Aviation Maintenance Management	Ken Solosky
1200 – 1300	Lunch On Own	
1300 – 1430	Intro to Grants and Acquisition Opportunities	Tony Minnis
1430 – 1530	Intelligence Based Policing in Air Support Operations	Daniel Rosenberg
1530 – 1700	Personnel Selection	Ken Solosky
DAY THREE		
0800 – 0900	Justifying Police Aviation Through PR and Social Media	Kyle Fields
0900 – 1000	Aviation Leadership	Terry Miyauchi
1000 – 1130	Aircraft and Technology Acquisition	Ed Van Winkle
1130 – 1230	Aviation Legal Issues – FAA Investigations	Robert Lakind
1230 – 1330	Lunch On Own	
1330 – 1430	The “Debriefing Culture”	Matt Szluka
1430 – 1530	ATAK In The Air- Real-Time Situational Awareness	Amos Halava
1530 – 1630	New & Senior UMC Breakout Discussions	R. Bray / K. Solosky
1630 – 1700	Panel Discussion and Critique	D. Roby / K. Solosky

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