



# BROWN DEER POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS RELEASE



**DATE AND TIME:** Monday, September 23, 2019

**CASE NO:** N/A

**EVENT:** Brown Deer PD Law Enforcement International Training and Informational Exchange.

**PLACE OF OCCURANCE:** Ukraine - November 14-22, 2019

The **Brown Deer Police Department** is excited to announce that Lieutenant George King is joining a small team of police professionals headed to the Ukraine to assist several Ukrainian regional police agencies in introducing Peer Support, Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) Intervention, and Police Chaplaincy Response Programs. The sharing of law enforcement knowledge and experiences, both in the field and in a correctional setting, will also be an important aspect of the visit.

The **National Police of Ukraine** is made up of several regions and has been in existence since 2015. The political/economic climate, military conflicts, Russian occupation, the transitional nature of law enforcement, police stress, and overall high suicide rates in Ukraine among its citizens has brought the immediate need for these programs there.

The small team of Wisconsin area police professionals will be in Ukraine from November 14-22, 2019 and will visit the cities of Kiev, Cherkasy, Dnipro, Mariupol, and Lisichansk. The team and will visit regional Ukrainian police agencies providing them with information and instruction on implementing peer support and CISM programs. Additionally, the group will discuss the importance of police chaplaincy and give guidance for implementing a faith-based response to citizens requesting it during a crisis.

Ukraine's Yaroslav Malko, President of the Global Christian Network (<https://gcshelp.org/>), Police Chaplain with the Mariupol Police Patrol (Donesk Region), and provider of International Police Chaplains Camps, will be hosting the visit. He recently hosted Canadian police officers in Ukraine this summer.

The Wisconsin area attendees are:

Police Chaplain Greg Young: Federal Agency Debriefer, International Critical Incident Stress Foundation Trainer, Resilience/Resilient Leadership & Post Traumatic Growth Consultant – provided debriefing for first responder services for numerous tragedies and line of duty deaths; including assistance at the Sandy Hook tragedy in Connecticut and the Sikh Temple shooting in Oak Creek (<https://resilientresponse.com/about/>)

Officer Jeff Smith: 30-year veteran with the Germantown Police Department and current Director of DARE Wisconsin Ltd.

Captain Karla Gabor: Captain, Correction's Facility Manager, and CISM Leader with the Waukesha County Sheriff's Department (12 years).

Lieutenant George King: 31-year veteran of the Brown Deer Police Department, Red Cross volunteer, member of Ozaukee County Local Emergency Planning Committee, and trained in CISM.

This overseas law enforcement venture is currently self-funded by the attendees. The team is hoping to obtain donations for the trip, a cost of about \$2000 per person. A GoFundMe page has been created to try to offset the travel costs. <https://www.gofundme.com/f/peer-support-chaplaincy-for-ukraine-police>

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**Anyone interested in donating or a business wanting to help sponsor one or more of the attendees would be greatly appreciated. Any excess donations would be given to a local charity (Wisconsin Concerns of Police Survivors). Contact Brown Deer PD at 414-371-2907 for donation inquiries.**  
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09-23-19 12:40 P.M.  
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George King  
**Reporting Officer**

Lieutenant of Police  
**Assignment**