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LELC: OPENING REMARKS

From the Desk of Kenneth R. Grover, Phd. Vice-Chairperson

I am proud to report that under the leadership of our Chairman, Richard Chase, a strong effort has been made to bring the senior leadership of ASIS and the IACP together to discuss private and public partnerships. The door has been opened wider than it ever has before as we under take significant measures to enhance the public and private relationship.

The LELC has been invited to the Measuring Private Security/Public Policing Partnership Roundtable: Progress and Setting Future Goals to be held in New Orleans on October 12, 2007. I will represent the Private Security Perspective and encourage any member who has suggestions or input to contact me. We invited the IACP executive staff to the Law Enforcement luncheon at the Annual ASIS Conference.

We look to the future as we examine our role and that of the public sector in joint efforts with Safe City, Operation Partnership, PERF and new opportunities yet to come. It is truly an exciting and ground-breaking time for all LELC members and ASIS International.

"SAFETY ACT" Offers Limited Liability for Anti-Terror Technology

From the Desk of Gail M. Simonton, J.D., Chairperson LELC Guidelines Committee

Did you have any questions as you read the Safety Act article last month? Send you questions to the author Gail Simonton at gsimonton@earthlink.net.

In next month's newsletter, we will begin to publish the questions and answers in a "frequently asked questions" format. We're looking forward to your questions.

53rd ANNUAL SEMINAR AND EXHIBITS
ASIS INTERNATIONAL 2007
September 24-27, 2007 – Las Vegas, NV

LELC CONFERENCE MEETING

Editor: Jim Fetzer, CPP

The LELC meeting in Las Vegas was a busy one. Over three hours were dedicated to committee reports, old business, and new business. Eight presentations were made during the meeting—one in particular was the **Target Stores Safe City Program**.

“Safe City is a community-based initiative that unites businesses, residents, city officials and law enforcement to develop and implement crime reduction solutions in communities served by **Target**. It is a component of the Target & Blue effort, and a unique application of our commitment to being Best in the Community.”

The concept is based on a model used in the United Kingdom. Partnership with “businesses, retailers, police and local government” are focused on reducing crime and violence “while increasing community health and vibrancy in metropolitan business districts.”

The leveraging of “partnerships and technology” helps communities “reduce crime and create a safe environment”.

“Partnerships are the backbone of the program with law enforcement leading the development and implementation.”

“Technical solutions are typically designed and leveraged by law enforcement for use in their response efforts and information sharing among partners including: Closed Circuit Television, radio communications, Internet based alert systems and emergency call boxes.”

The program has been described as NOT:

- A Target-led Program
- A Camera System
- A Mall Program
- Just Money

Here is what one law enforcement official had to say,

“Our organization was pleased to learn of Target’s level of commitment to the communities it serves. The Target Corporation has created an innovative program for use in the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department, which unites public, private and community organizations to enhance public safety. It is our intent to ensure the Safe City Program is expanded to additional communities throughout the County of Los Angeles.

The Target Corporation, through its Safe City Program, has taken a leadership role in making our communities safer.”

Leroy D. Baca
Sheriff, Los Angeles County, CA

Currently there are sixteen cities participating nationwide in the program. Seven more cities are scheduled to become partners in 2008, five more in 2009, and two more in 2010.

LELC SUPPORTS “OPERATION PARTNERSHIP”

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“After two years of hard work, the research findings and analysis phases of Operation Partnership are nearly complete. The release of the results is expected within the next several months. In anticipation of that release, LELC collected the names and addresses, at the LELC booth in Las Vegas, of those persons interested in having a copy sent to them.

You, too, can receive a copy of the Operation Partnership release.

Send your name, request and mailing address to Susan.F.Powers@usdoj.gov. When the Operation Partnership information is released, it will be sent to you!



Staffing the LELC booth in Las Vegas



LELC meeting in Las Vegas listening to a presentation!



LELC members working hard to accomplish as much as they can at the ASIS Las Vegas Conference.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS:

Any LELC questions or comments contact Dick Chase, LELC Chairperson at Richard.E.Chase@usdoj.gov or LELC Newsletter/Publications questions or comments contact Jim Fetzer, Newsletter Editor & Chairperson LELC Publications Committee at jfa@tds.net

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