



Annual Report RMIN2024

ROCKY MOUNTAIN INFORMATION NETWORK, INC.



“We identified the suspect based on your guys' hard work. Thank you. You guys rock. Thank you for staying late for me and assisting me. Getting justice for both victims was made possible because of you all.”

~ Detective Ian Freeman, Sante Fe Police Department, New Mexico

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RMIN

Rocky Mountain Information Network, Inc. (RMIN), one of the six regional centers comprising RISS, is headquartered in Phoenix, Arizona. RMIN's service area includes law enforcement and criminal justice agencies in Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming, and portions of Canada. More than 17,000 authorized users in more than 1,000 member agencies benefit from support services available through RMIN.

RMIN resources include:

- RISSafe™, a 24/7 officer safety event deconfliction system
- RISSIntel™, a 28 CFR Part 23 approved criminal intelligence database
- Audio, video, and computer forensic services
- Criminal and fraud case analysis
- Intelligence research services
- Training to help build expertise and promote officer safety
- RISS Money Counter Network (MCN) currency deconfliction
- Access to other investigative tools and various state, regional, and federal databases through RISSNET™

RISS



The Regional Information Sharing Systems® (RISS) program supports law enforcement efforts to combat crime, apprehend and prosecute offenders, resolve criminal investigations, and promote officer safety.

RISS has been congressionally funded for over 50 years, through grants awarded by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance. RISS appropriations support six RISS Centers, the RISS Technology Support Center, and all RISSNET services. RISS currently serves more than 10,700 local, state, tribal, and federal law enforcement agencies in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Canada, and U.S. territories.

RISS provides analytical case support, RISSafe officer safety deconfliction, and criminal intelligence research information sharing, linking thousands of criminal justice agencies to combat crime.

2024 STATISTICAL HIGHLIGHTS



ANALYTICAL SERVICES

- Cell Tower Mapping
- 2D & 3D Crime Scene Diagrams
- Case-Toll-Communications - Timeline-Link Analysis
- Courtroom Charts
- Financial Analysis
- Audio/Video Forensic Analysis
- Computer/Cell Phone/Digital Media Forensics

399

ANALYTICAL CASES SUPPORTED

18,945

ANALYTICAL PRODUCTS



INTELLIGENCE RESEARCH

- Investigative Reports
- Driver's License Photos
- Criminal Background Information
- Phone Provider/Subscriber Information
- Social Media Research
- Fugitive, Wanted, and Missing Person Checks
- FBI's National Data Exchange (N-DEX)
- Network of Law Enforcement Contacts
- Access to Partner Resources

4,377

RESEARCH CASES SUPPORTED



RISSafe
Officer Safety

301

RISSAFE ACTIVE AGENCY USERS

46,368

RISSAFE EVENTS

8,455

RISSAFE CONFLICTS

RISSafe/ OFFICER SAFETY

- Nationwide Officer Safety Event Deconfliction (RISSafe)
- RISSafe Mobile™
- Videos & Safety Awareness Information
- Officer Safety Website
- BOLOs
- 24/7 RISSafe Watch Center



RISSNET™ RESOURCES

- RISS Criminal Intelligence Database (RISSIntel™)
- RISS Officer Safety Event Deconfliction System (RISSafe™)
- RISSLeads™ Investigative Website
- RISS Money Counter Network™
- RISS Master Telephone Index™
- Access to Partner Resources

17,611

RISSNET USERS (INDIVIDUALS)



INFORMATION SHARING

- Criminal Intelligence
- Target/Subject Deconfliction
- Numerous Databases & Millions of Records
- Law Enforcement Briefings & Publications
- Special Research Reports
- Field Services Support & Technical Assistance

1,839

LAW ENFORCEMENT COORDINATOR ON-SITE VISITS



TRAINING

- Investigative Techniques
- Crime Trends
- Narcotics, Gangs, and Major Crimes
- Cybercrime
- Countering Violent Extremism
- Analytical
- Officer Safety
- Courtroom Testimony
- Criminal Intelligence

94

RMIN TRAINING EVENTS

7,238

TRAINING ATTENDEES



MEMBERSHIP

- Region includes AZ, CO, ID, MT, NV, NM, UT, and WY
- RMIN's coverage includes parts of Canada
- Local, state, federal, and tribal agencies

1,050

MEMBER AGENCIES



PUBLICATIONS

643,474
DISTRIBUTED PUBLICATIONS

- Annual Report
- Special Projects
- Analytical Eye
- Bulletin
- Training Opportunities

2024 TESTIMONIALS

"Without hesitation, I would say that the biggest break for our office in building our prosecution of this case came when the Analyst was assigned to help. We are currently scheduled to start trial again this June, and will certainly enlist the help of the Analyst again. I want to express once more my extreme satisfaction with teaming with RMIN to formulate the prosecution of this case, and personally want to thank the Analyst for all the work they did for us."

~ Prosecuting Attorney Lance Stevenson, Minidoka County, Idaho

"Again, I want to thank the analysts and all personnel at RMIN for your assistance and hard work. We feared that the suspect would continue to commit violent crimes in other jurisdictions and we wanted law enforcement to be aware of this individual. The networking we utilized through RMIN was vital in capturing this dangerous person and will assist us as we continue this investigation."

~ Detective Eric Eccles, Santa Fe Police Department, New Mexico

RISSINTEL DATABASE RECORDS

110,113 RMIN RECORDS

11,821 CONNECTED PARTNER
SYSTEM RECORDS

121,934 TOTAL RECORDS

135,376
INQUIRIES

7,418
HITS

14,074
NOTIFICATIONS

**OTHER
DATABASE
SEARCHES** **9,456**

**MONEY
COUNTER
NETWORK**

\$6,714,511
CURRENCY SCANNED

TIMES ANALYSTS WERE
REQUESTED TO PROVIDE

COURTROOM TESTIMONY

26

2024 SUCCESS BY THE NUMBERS

		AZ	CO	ID	MT	NV	NM	UT	WY	OTHER	TOTAL
ANALYTICAL CASES SUPPORTED	CRIMINAL INTEL CASES	28	21	13	5	8	13	20	7	0	115
	AUDIO FORENSICS	9	6	3	4	2	2	4	1	1	32
	VIDEO FORENSICS	24	14	15	6	19	6	20	8	2	114
	COMPUTER FORENSICS	27	6	6	4	0	11	1	0	1	56
	FINANCIAL FRAUD	20	11	18	3	6	2	7	9	6	82
	TOTAL	108	58	55	22	5	34	52	25	10	399

		AZ	CO	ID	MT	NV	NM	UT	WY	OTHER	TOTAL
ANALYTICAL PRODUCTS	CHARTS/GRAPHS	373	135	500	227	81	180	126	27	0	1,649
	CRIMINAL ACTIVITY SUMMARIES OR ASSESSMENTS	52	30	37	13	20	12	21	10	0	195
	COLLECTION PLANS/SURVEYS	40	28	34	7	22	6	25	10	1	173
	COMPUTER LISTINGS	273	532	127	1,056	195	56	180	201	1	2,621
	ANALYTICAL BRIEFINGS	38	42	31	13	20	4	24	9	1	182
	COMPILATIONS (CD, DVD, PP)	57	137	28	65	24	110	37	28	0	486
	IMAGES, VIDEO, AUDIO	6,604	1,263	5,056	80	236	259	69	66	6	13,639
	TOTAL	7,437	2,167	5,813	1,461	598	627	482	351	9	18,945

		AZ	CO	ID	MT	NV	NM	UT	WY	OTHER	TOTAL
INTELLIGENCE RESEARCH		1,116	235	57	208	1,601	383	94	32	651	4,377

		AZ	CO	ID	MT	NV	NM	UT	WY	OTHER	TOTAL
RISSAFE	ACTIVE AGENCY USERS	82	61	40	16	28	10	49	15	0	301
	WATCH CENTERS	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	5
	TOTAL EVENTS	12,653	6,711	1,306	515	12,657	3,911	7,957	658	0	46,368
	TOTAL CONFLICTS	2,608	1,915	62	11	1,412	108	2,274	65	0	8,455

		AZ	CO	ID	MT	NV	NM	UT	WY	SUBTOTAL	CANADA	OTHER	TOTAL
MEMBERSHIP	MUNICIPAL	70	89	50	27	34	16	80	37	403	3	0	406
	COUNTY	13	43	46	51	17	18	28	22	238	0	0	238
	STATE	8	9	5	4	8	12	6	8	60	1	0	61
	FEDERAL	29	27	13	14	11	11	8	10	123	9	0	132
	TRIBAL	10	2	2	1	4	5	0	0	24	1	0	25
	PROSECUTORS	12	15	25	6	13	5	6	3	85	0	0	85
	CORRECTIONS	9	1	2	2	1	2	1	1	19	0	0	19
	OTHER	23	24	4	5	9	2	12	5	84	0	0	84
	TOTAL	174	210	147	110	97	71	141	86	1,036	14	0	1,050



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2024 HIGHLIGHTS



ARIZONA

HOMICIDE: The Mesa Police Department requested RMIN forensic audio/video analysis support in a homicide case. A subject shot two victims in their home during a narcotics transaction. The incident was caught on a camera set up in the main room of the residence. Detectives noticed a mark on the subject's collarbone that they suspected was a tattoo. The RMIN analyst was asked to clarify the video to help determine what the mark was. The analyst was able to clarify the video footage and determined the mark was indeed a tattoo. The tattoo was used as evidence at trial to prove the subject was the shooter. The subject was convicted of two counts of first-degree murder and was sentenced to life in prison.

COLORADO

FRAUD: The Montrose County Sheriff's Office requested RMIN financial analysis support on a case involving identity theft, forgery, and cybercrime. A victim reported to police that their business and personal bank accounts were hacked, and the accounts' beneficiary and contact information were changed. Deputies developed a lead when they discovered an address from an online purchase made with the victim's credit card. Upon execution of a search warrant on the address, deputies found personal identifying information and fraudulent documents for multiple victims. RMIN was asked to assist with organizing bank records and tracing the financial activity. While working with the detective to narrow the scope of their jurisdiction's investigation, four primary victims were identified, and the RMIN analyst outlined how their money was taken and where it went. In total, \$105,534.08 was fraudulently stolen from the four victims. The analyst also found an additional \$97,567.20 taken from additional victims. The suspect was charged with several felonies and sentenced to probation. They are also facing federal charges.

IDAHO

HOMICIDE: The Kootenai County Sheriff's Office requested assistance from RMIN analytical staff with a homicide case. Deputies received a call from a husband reporting he found his wife deceased in the bathtub. The victim was found with a handgun and the husband suggested she committed suicide. The couple was going through a divorce and had a history of domestic disturbances. Investigators collected data from the victim and the husband's cell phones, phone records, and social media accounts. The RMIN analyst created cell site maps and a social media communication timeline. The timeline showed a history of abuse by the husband and that the victim planned to move to another residence. The husband was arrested and went to trial for his wife's murder. He was convicted of second-degree murder and sentenced to life in prison.

MONTANA

SEXUAL ASSAULT: The Broadwater County Sheriff's Office requested assistance from the RMIN analytical staff in a sexual assault investigation. Police officers received a report that an adult male sexually assaulted a juvenile female. The suspect and victim communicated through several social media platforms. The RMIN analyst was requested to assist with the analysis of cell phone data and social media. The analyst provided summaries of the data extracted from several cell phone devices and created communication timelines from the social media data. The information provided by the analyst showed communication between the suspect and victim, as well as proved the suspect was in possession of child sexual abuse material. The suspect pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 120 years in prison, with 20 years suspended.

NEVADA

ARSON: The Clark County Fire Department requested RMIN forensic audio/video analysis support in an arson case. During an arson investigation, investigators obtained videos from a doorbell camera that showed the subject discussing the fire with his children. The audio from the video was difficult to discern. The RMIN analyst clarified the audio, which made the conversation easier to understand and proved the subject was discussing the arson. The subject pleaded guilty to third-degree arson and was sentenced to 12 to 30 months in prison.

NEW MEXICO

CHILD EXPLOITATION: The Santa Fe Police Department (SFPD) requested intelligence research assistance in a child exploitation case. The SFPD became aware of a subject sending child sexual abuse material to other minors and soliciting minors online. During the investigation, officers acquired a video of the subject and needed assistance in identifying the subject. The RMIN intelligence research staff used several facial recognition programs and intelligence databases to find the subject. Within an hour, the RMIN staff sent possible matches to the SFPD. The officers used this information to positively identify the subject. The subject was already incarcerated and was soliciting minors from prison.

UTAH

HOMICIDE: The Utah Attorney General's Office requested assistance from the RMIN analytical staff with a homicide case. Two suspects stole a vehicle and went on a crime spree, which included breaking into numerous vehicles and one other vehicle theft. When officers caught up to the suspects, a high-speed pursuit ensued. The chase ended when the suspect's vehicle crashed and rolled several times, ejecting both occupants. The passenger did not survive. Detectives requested the RMIN analytical staff create a timeline of the living suspect's communications and Global Positioning System (GPS) mapping to show the sequence of events for the incident. The two analysts who assisted on the case put together six communication timelines and a presentation that depicted the incident through 12 videos created using GPS data and police camera footage. RMIN's assistance created a clear picture of how the crime spree unfolded. The suspect accepted a plea agreement and pleaded no contest to manslaughter and was sentenced to 0 to 5 years in prison.

WYOMING

OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTING: The Wyoming Division of Criminal Investigation requested assistance from the RMIN forensic audio/video staff in an officer-involved shooting case. Two city police officers contacted an individual parked on a lake shore. The individual quickly fled on foot with the officers in pursuit. During this pursuit, the man pulled a firearm and fired at the officers. They returned fire and fatally shot the suspect. The RMIN analyst clarified the body-worn camera footage to clearly show the suspect firing at the officers. The analyst created two videos for the analysis, one with both officers' perspectives side-by-side and one with slowed-down sections to show frame-by-frame what the officers saw during the incident. The analyst also pulled several still images of interest from the videos. The analyst's work helped to prove the officers were justified in their use of deadly force.

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