

Benefits of Participation



RCFLS BENEFIT LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

An RCFL is a partnership between the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and other law enforcement agencies operating within a geographic region. Organizations that enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the FBI become participating agencies in the RCFL. In this capacity, they detail staff members to staff the laboratory, and in return, they and their personnel receive—

- Access to digital forensics examination and advisory services
- The same sophisticated technical training that is provided to FBI's certified computer forensics Examiners
- Detailees from state/local agencies have the potential to receive compensation of any overtime worked, a cell phone, and use of a government-leased automobile while on official duty
- Exposure to the most technologically advanced computer equipment available. The FBI invests significant funds per workstation and updates the equipment approximately every two years
- Broad experience in a variety of digital forensics cases
- A stake in the management of the RCFL.

TRAINING IS KEY

RCFL detailees receive the same training and certification that is provided to the FBI's Computer Analysis Response Team (CART). Many RCFL Examiners cite the opportunity to obtain the prestigious CART certification and follow-on training as one of the greatest benefits of joining the Program.

THE NEED FOR COMPUTER FORENSICS EXPERTISE CONTINUES TO RISE

The RCFL Program represents a national effort to use digital evidence to prosecute white-collar and violent crimes. Today, RCFLs are available to over 5,000 law enforcement agencies spanning 21 states.

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