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Welcome Back

All of the staff here at CapWIN would like to begin this year by conveying our sincere thanks and appreciation to all of you, our users. Your continued support is the truest testimony and ultimate example of the usefulness provided by the CapWIN Mobile Client. Rest assured that as we enter this new year we will continue to strive to bring you the best possible innovations and tools to insure data interoperability throughout the Maryland, District of Columbia and Virginia region. We look forward to what this new year will hold and towards our continued partnership to developing the best possible tools for public safety.

MD MVA Emergency Contact Information Now Available

The Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration recently began incorporating emergency contact information into individual driving records. The service is optional and if interested drivers may register their information on the MVA website (http://www.mva.maryland.gov). Simply go to the website and click on the Emergency Contacts link on the right side of the homepage. CapWIN is please to announce that effective February 23rd this information will also be included in MD MVA returns through our Query tool. Names, addresses, phone numbers and relationship will all be displayed as part of our standard data returns.

A Fond Farewell

It is with well wishes and a saddened heart that we say good-bye to our past Executive Director, Tom Henderson. Tom joined CapWIN as our Executive Director in 2006. Prior to that time Tom had an extensive background assisting with public safety. A few of his positions included Executive Director with the National Center for State Courts and Executive Director for Criminal Justice Statistics Association in Washington, DC. Tom was a true visionary leader and has been instrumental in making CapWIN the success it is today. We wish he and his wife the best and fun times as they vacation.

Updated Users

As we enter into a new year we would like to remind the Agency Administrators that now may be the perfect time to review your agency's users and deactivate the accounts for any personnel that are no longer employed. Since we here at CapWIN have no way of knowing employee status we rely on you to keep the user Directory up-to-date. Thanks.

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Details on CapWIN's Active Projects

NIJ Maryland Cross-Boundary Information Exchange Pilot Programs

CapWIN continues to work with MSP on the implementation of its Cross-Boundary Data Exchange grant. The purpose of this grant is to enable the State of Maryland to introduce and adopt a uniform law enforcement information sharing approach. The initial focus for data exchanges include MVA "browse" capability and standardized data access to Baltimore/Washington Gang Intelligence System (GIS) data.

Regional Crime Analysis System (RCAS) Data Viewer

As an additional part of the Cross-Boundary grant, CapWIN has supported MSP with the integration of a Regional Crime Analysis (RCAS) query "viewer" application module within the E-TIX/Delta+ solution. This solution is based on the original Baltimore Arrest Viewer application developed by CapWIN Chair and MSP CIO Mike Roosa.

Prince George's County NCR LInX Integration

CapWIN has also incorporated additional Maryland grant funding into the existing Cross-Boundary task order to support additional Prince George's County data extractions to increase jurisdictional participation in the NCR LInX program. This effort is being accomplished via a sub-award to the Northrop Grumman Corporation.

CapWIN Mobile-Next Generation Project

CapWIN is currently under active development for its new NIJ-funded Handheld Client. NIJ solicited proposals to develop solutions that will work on "existing deployed devices." CapWIN is developing two solutions in sequence: 1) a mobile browser based solution that will work on most deployed devices (e.g., RIM Blackberry, Apple iOS/Google Android); and 2) dedicated applications specific to operating systems.

Federal State Data Improvement Program (SaDIP)

CapWIN and MSP continue to work on the development and rollout of the new Mobile Accident Reporting System (ACRS). Training for the formal pilot began 11-15-11 in select MSP Barracks. In addition, CapWIN, MSP, and the Maryland State Highway Administration received supplemental funding from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration to support deployment of the ACRS statewide. This work will be ongoing during the remainder of the FY.

Maryland Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR)

MSP and CapWIN were pleased to receive notification of our DOJ grant request to enhance Maryland's SAR creation, dissemination and analysis process. This effort will focus on converting the existing MSP Field Observation Report (FOR) to be compliant with the Federal SAR and enable automated data transmission to the Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center (MCAC Fusion Center). The SAR grant should serve as a springboard for extending the outcomes of this effort to include extra-regional participation and data sharing as well as interconnects to the National SAR Initiative (NSI).

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MSP ASED Project

CapWIN continues to support the MSP Automotive Safety Enforcement Division (ASED) with the development of its new Safety Equipment Repair Orders mobile software solution, which is being incorporated into the existing E-TIX/Delta+ software suite. The system automates ASED's business processes as they relate to Maryland Inspection Stations monitoring and compliance. The initial release of this software occurred in October 2011, and the system is fully operational.

MSP Website Support

The new MSP public website went live in October 2011. CapWIN was pleased to support the development of the new site using the Open Source "Dot Net Nuke" Content Management System, which allows individual users representing different organizational units (Media Relations, individual Barracks, etc.) to login and update individual pages, including adding/changing text, images, and files. CapWIN will be working with MSP's Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) division, which funded the larger effort, to additional capabilities to better serve their needs. The new site can be seen at http://www.mdsp.org/.

Nlets Connectivity

CapWIN continues to plan for accessing data via its new interface to the Nlets network as part of its Associate Regional Membership. CapWIN is collaborating with State CJIS representatives and working with Nlets to access additional datasets and services that can be provided to CapWIN field users to complement existing CJIS data offerings. One specific dataset being considered for national exchange via Nlets is eCitation data.

CoMPASS (Common Mobile Public Safety Application Software Suite)

CapWIN continues to develop and expand its CoMPASS (Common Mobile Public Safety Application Software Suite) solution, which serves as an information "broker" between multiple mobile applications and hardware peripherals. The CoMPASS solution enables data access to shared devices, such as barcode scanners, GPS devices, and query systems. CapWIN is planning to expand CoMPASS to include an interface to the new mobile fingerprint scanners (Cogent Bluecheck) devices being released across the region. This effort will result in automated queries of multiple databases based on a successful fingerprint scan using CapWIN's Query System, including NCIC/state CJIS, LInX, Parole and Probation, Warrant, and Gang data.

Maryland Statewide CAD/RMS/AVL/AFR RFP

The CapWIN Mobile Client will extend it's capabilities to serve as the primary mobile interface to Maryland's new statewide CAD/RMS/AVL/APR system. This new solution will result in the consolidation of MSP's Delta+/E-TIX and CapWIN user interfaces into a single Shared Framework. This effort should begin in CY12.

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Skill Sets

Have you checked out and updated your Skill Set lately? The Mobile Client possesses a unique feature that no other known application provides to its users. That feature is the ability to search for users with specific training and skill sets, not only from within your agency, but also across agencies. We recently added several new skill sets and highly encourage all of our member agencies to take advantage of this tool. In order to provide the maximum return for this feature, it is incumbent upon you the user to keep your skill sets up to date. If you possess a specialty skill or have training in an unique area please have your Agency Administrator add those skills to your User Profile. If there is a skill that you do not see listed and would like to have added, send a short e-mail to alee@capwin.org and we will evaluate for possible future use.

Expanded Social Networking
Facebook & LinkedIn

CapWIN's presence in the social media arena continues to expand. Along with our previously mentioned Company page on LinkedIn we also now have a LinkedIn Group that you may choose to follow. We are also excited to announce that we now have a Facebook page, that you can "Like". We are currently examining Twitter and will probably incorporate a Twitter feed in the near future.

If you have not yet explored these rapidly growing forms of social media we encourage you to take a moment, create a free account and take a look around. Once you have created a profile, simply search "CapWIN" and begin following us. As a side note, they also offer mobile applications for most smart phones.

Upcoming Training

CapWIN offers training every month. Scheduled dates are listed and updated on the event calendar contained on the CapWIN website. The CapWIN V2 Mobile Client course is designed for all users of the CapWIN System, both sworn and non-sworn. This is the main course recommended for all CapWIN Users. This hands-on course will present students the general knowledge and skills needed to actively use the CapWIN System and its complete functionality.

Upcoming Training Dates
Tuesday, March 6h
Wednesday, March 21st

Monday, April 9th
Wednesday, April 18th

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