



# Making an Impact

## Did you know that RISS...

Houses more than **3.4 million intelligence records** and more than **168,000 gang records**

Delivers more than **37,000 analytical products** annually

Trains more than **80,000 officers** each year

Provides **\$300,000 in confidential funds** per year

Loans almost **5,000 pieces of investigative equipment**

Assists in **thousands of arrests and seizures** in the **millions of dollars**



## Defendants Face Drug Distribution Charges

An investigation by the Hawaii High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Task Force targeted a major Mexican methamphetamine organization that was shipping an estimated 20 pounds of methamphetamine from Las Vegas to Hawaii on a monthly basis. RISS provided analytical support to investigators. To date, **20 defendants** have faced federal and state charges of drug distribution, more than **\$250,000** has been forfeited, and more than **8 pounds of methamphetamine** "ice" has been seized.



## Attempted Murder of Police Officer

RISS analytical staff assisted a Minnesota police department with an investigation involving kidnapping, armed robbery, and the attempted murder of a police officer. The **suspect pleaded guilty** and received a **29-year sentence**.

## Results

### of Member-Agency Investigations

Utilizing Services of the Six RISS Centers Combined  
(Fiscal Years 2008–2009–2010)

Arrests	14,000
Narcotics Seizures	\$83.4 million
Property Seizures	\$14.2 million
Currency Seizures	\$12.8 million

## RISS Centers

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# Regional Information Sharing Systems® Program



## A Proven Resource for Law Enforcement™

**RISS** is a nationwide program consisting of six regional centers and a technology support center. For more than 30 years, RISS has been a proven, trusted, and cost-effective program that leverages funding to support thousands of local, state, federal, and tribal law enforcement agencies across the nation.

**RISS is different from other information sharing programs.** RISS offers access to intelligence databases, connects disparate systems, and provides essential investigative support services.

In addition, RISS provides officer safety through the RISS Officer Safety Event Deconfliction System (**RISSafe™**) and extensive gang resources through the RISS National Gang (**RISSGang™**) Program. Public safety and private sector officials utilize the RISS Automated Trusted Information Exchange (**RISS ATIX™**) to communicate and share information with each other as well as with law enforcement. RISS's services and resources directly impact investigative case success and officer safety.



## Child Pornography Case Leads to Plea

RISS digital forensics staff assisted a New Mexico sheriff's office with a child pornography case involving computer analysis and hard-disk drives. More than **100,000 images** were collected that required analysis. The analysis led to a plea agreement resulting in an **18-year sentence**.

## RISS Centers

Between 1973 and 1981, the six RISS Centers were established in the order listed below:

- Regional Organized Crime Information Center® (ROCIC)
- Rocky Mountain Information Network® (RMIN)
- New England State Police Information Network® (NESPIN)
- Mid-States Organized Crime Information Center® (MOCIC)
- Western States Information Network® (WSIN)
- Middle Atlantic-Great Lakes Organized Crime Law Enforcement Network® (MAGLOCLN)

## RISS Mission

The mission of RISS is to support law enforcement efforts nationwide to combat illegal drug trafficking, organized criminal activity, criminal gangs, violent crime, human trafficking, identity theft, terrorist activity, and other criminal activity and to promote officer safety. RISS also provides information sharing and communications to public and private sector entities.

## SBU/CUI Interoperability Initiative (SII)

RISSNET is one of four sensitive but unclassified/controlled unclassified information (SBU/CUI) networks/systems participating in the **SBU/CUI Interoperability Initiative (SII)** under the auspices of the White House and the Office of the Program Manager, Information Sharing Environment (PM-ISE). The goal of the SII is to provide single sign-on and access to a variety of system-to-system enhancements within an interoperable and protected SBU/CUI network/system environment for local, state, federal, and tribal law enforcement, regardless of agency ownership of the individual network/system.

**RISS operates on a nationwide basis while serving the unique needs of its individual regions.**

For more information on the RISS Program, visit [www.riss.net](http://www.riss.net).



# Making a Difference

## RISS Investigative Services

The RISS Centers provide investigative support services to more than **8,700 local, state, federal, and tribal law enforcement agencies** in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, U.S. territories, Australia, Canada, England, and New Zealand. Hundreds of thousands of officers access RISS services and programs each year. RISS also provides a number of resources to agencies and individuals that do not require full RISS membership. Almost **100 agencies and systems** are connected or pending connection to the RISS Secure Intranet, RISSNET™.

RISS member agencies have access to powerful investigative resources, including:

Information Sharing	Analytical Support	Training and Conferences	Confidential Funds	Equipment Loans
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ RISSNET</li> <li>+ Field service coordination</li> <li>+ Technical support</li> <li>+ Research assistance</li> <li>+ Publications</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Link analysis</li> <li>+ Crime scene analysis</li> <li>+ Telephone toll analysis</li> <li>+ Financial analysis</li> <li>+ Digital/cell phone forensics</li> <li>+ Audio and video enhancements</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Investigative techniques</li> <li>+ Anti-terrorism</li> <li>+ Gangs</li> <li>+ Violent crime</li> <li>+ Cybercrime</li> <li>+ Narcotics</li> <li>+ Analytical techniques</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Informants</li> <li>+ Contraband</li> <li>+ Services</li> <li>+ Investigative travel</li> <li>+ Case assistance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Photographic</li> <li>+ Communications</li> <li>+ Surveillance</li> <li>+ Vehicles</li> <li>+ Customized to need</li> </ul>

## RISSNET

RISSNET houses and provides access to millions of pieces of data, offers bidirectional sharing of information, and acts as the communications infrastructure for a number of critical resources and investigative tools—such as the National Criminal Intelligence Databases (RISSIntel), RISSafe, RISSGang, RISS ATIX, and RISSLeads—and provides access to various local, state, and federal intelligence and investigative databases. There are more than **600 resources** available via RISSNET; the owners of these resources rely on RISS for its proven and secure infrastructure.



**38**  
State and Local Agency Law Enforcement Networks

**22**  
Federal and Other Agencies and Systems

**31**  
High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas



# Moving Forward

## RISS Initiatives and Programs

The following provides highlights of RISS's numerous and diverse initiatives and programs.

The **RISSIntel** databases, as well as RISS partner system intelligence databases, are available to authorized RISSNET users via a federated search. Authorized RISSNET users have access to millions of records regarding suspected criminal information from RISSIntel and RISS partner systems through a single query. This capability is a great benefit to law enforcement and other criminal justice professionals.

**RISSafe** stores and maintains data on planned law enforcement events—such as raids, controlled buys, and undercover operations—with the goal of identifying and alerting affected agencies or officers of potential conflicts. Without the use of this resource, law enforcement agencies may inadvertently interfere with each other's cases, causing investigative efforts to be disrupted or, worse, officers to be unintentionally hurt or killed.

A new resource in the RISS arsenal is the **RISS Officer Safety Website**. This website serves as a national repository for issues related to officer safety, including concealments, hidden weapons, armed and dangerous threats, officer safety videos, special reports, and training opportunities.

**The RISSGang Program** consists of an intelligence database, a website, a bulletin board, and gang-specific resources. The intelligence database provides access to records, such as gang suspects, organizations, and weapons, as well as gang symbols and graffiti. Like RISSIntel, the RISSGang database allows for a federated search, including the CalGang database. The website contains valuable information and resources. RISS partners with the National Gang Intelligence Center and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and is working to connect with other gang systems.

**RISS ATIX** provides more than 145,000 law enforcement officers and public safety and critical infrastructure personnel with access to homeland security, disaster, and terrorist threat information and other information of interest, as well as thousands of secure e-mails.

RISS continues to connect and link **fusion centers** to RISSNET and has integrated RISS services and tools into fusion center operations and provided educational materials. RISS has collocated analysts in fusion centers and participates on fusion center advisory boards and at regional and national conferences. RISS continues to work with fusion center leadership to tailor RISS services to fusion center needs.

The **RISSNET Portal** provides users with a single entry point for all RISSNET resources. RISS has transitioned to an industry standards-based **Secure Sockets Layer (SSL)** authentication technology. SSL is a mature technology for the transmission of encrypted information and is supported by all major Internet browsers.

Through the use of **Federated Identity technologies**, RISS is able to provide users from other systems with access to resources available via RISSNET without the requirement for the user to hold a RISSNET account. RISS is also able to provide RISSNET users with access to resources from other systems without the necessity for the RISSNET user to hold an account on the other system.