



# SAFVIC

## Sexual Assault Family Violence INVESTIGATOR COURSE

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### **FREE to Licensed Peace Officers**

**Date: April 29<sup>th</sup> -May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019**

**Time: 8am-5pm**

**Location: Texas State Technical College Police Department**

**Address: 1902 N Loop 499, Harlingen Texas 78550**

**24 hours TCOLE credit**

**Advanced SAFVIC Instructor: Chief Juan Gonzalez**

### THE COURSE

Law enforcement agencies around the state struggle to provide the training and resources to officers to allow for a consistent and effective response to victims of family violence and sexual assault. Family violence and sexual assault issues are becoming more common in Texas peace officers' day-to-day duties. The amount of training peace officers receive to investigate these crimes is disproportionate to the number of times officers are called to deal with these issues.

The Sexual Assault and Family Violence Investigator's Course – or SAFVIC (TCOLE Course 3264) is designed to provide law enforcement officers around the state with the tools they need to effectively investigate and prevent sexual assault and family violence. The SAFVIC is funded by a grant from the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office and the National Violence Against Women Office. This program is administered by the Texas Municipal Police Association with input from a statewide steering committee comprised of representatives from law enforcement, prosecution and victim services.

The SAFVIC consists of a comprehensive curriculum covering crucial aspects related to law enforcement's response to these crimes, as well as the creation and use of community-based resources to assist law enforcement's efforts. The program will utilize a network of certified instructors to deliver training on a local basis, thus enabling more officers to take part in this very important training.

Officers attending and successfully completing the SAFVIC will receive 24 hours TCOLE credit. The course is designed to satisfy the requirements of Special Investigative Topics (3232) and successful students will be eligible for a TCOLE special investigator proficiency certificate.

### REGISTRATION

To register for SAFVIC please go to the SAFVIC website at [www.safvic.org](http://www.safvic.org), click on 'Register' on the top right, select the course with the date and location of your choice, and then click on the blue 'Register' button. If you have further questions, call us toll free at (800) 848-2088. In the event that this specific course does not fit your schedule, SAFVIC will be offered at various locations in Texas at different times. Please check the website, which is updated daily, for upcoming courses in your area. *We hope you take advantage of this opportunity – join us in the quest to better protect and serve our communities.*