



Officer Bruce Wind, Retired

Officer Bruce Wind is a thirty-seven year veteran of the Seattle Police Department.

Officer Wind spent his entire career 'working the streets'. Assignments in Patrol, Canine, and the Street Narcotics Team, kept him at the heart of Seattle's criminal activity. He was also a member of Seattle's Crisis Intervention Team that specializes in managing the mentally ill in crisis.

He was a member of the Hostage/Crisis Negotiations Team for twenty-two years, during which time he negotiated a variety of incidents and served as the department's senior crisis negotiator. He has received numerous commendations because of his ability to resolve high-profile incidents through negotiations.

Officer Wind is a graduate of the FBI's Crisis Negotiations program and served as an advisor to the FBI during the creation of the National Council of Negotiation Associations. In addition, he is a certified police instructor by the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission and a nationally published author in the art of police negotiations.



Past responsibilities as a Patrol Officer include Field Training Officer, Evidence Specialist, and Crime Scene Photographer. He is also a member of the Peer Counselor Group for the Seattle Police Department. As a charter member of the Western States Hostage Negotiators' Association, Officer Wind is also the founder and editor of their official newsletter, *the Open Line*, and he currently serves as their Executive Director.

Officer Wind is passionate about helping other First Responders who are in crisis. As a former volunteer for Safe Call Now and currently associated with Code4 Northwest, he teaches at the state & local level about what stress does to First Responders and how we can deal with that stress. 'Stress is Killing Us' is his new presentation which has been helping First Responders in the State of Washington.

Officer Wind is excited to share his experiences and expertise about the art of crisis negotiation and intervention. *Tactical Talk* presents tailored programs for all First Responders including police officers, firefighters, paramedics and corrections personnel. The results of *Tactical Talk* can show immediate results in both operational safety and decreased liability. Presentations can also be tailored for your civilian group.

Officer Wind and his wife, Joanne, live in a suburb south of Seattle. They have two adult daughters and five grandchildren.