Data for Informed Decision Making

The National Law Enforcement Applied Research and Data Platform (the Platform) provides an invaluable resource to law enforcement executives from two perspectives - agency staff and the community. Platform surveys provide timely and actionable data to assist chief executives in decision-making on a variety of internal and community-facing topics. Supported by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ), the Platform surveys are conducted and analyzed by the Police Foundation at no cost to your agency. The Police Foundation is an independent, non-profit, non-member organization.

What Does the Platform Do For Your Agency?

The Platform provides insight into agency and community perspectives on a range of important topics including officer safety & wellness, the impact of new technology, job satisfaction, and Police-Community Interactions. As the surveys are completed, the Platform team will provide in-depth analysis of the data, as well as visualizations. As the Platform continues to grow, participating agencies will also have the opportunity to compare their agencies to regional and national trends.

Steps to Participation

Sign up: Simply provide the name of your agency and the name of the individual who will be the primary point of contact for the Platform at NationalLawEnforcementPlatform.org

15-Minute Welcome Call: Brief call between the agency POC and a member of the Platform team to provide an overview of the Platform and learn what topics are most important to your agency.

Individual Agency Kickoff Call: The Platform Director and a member of the Research Team will work to ensure that we understand your agency’s needs and expectations of the Platform, including the type, frequency, and format of the feedback you would like to receive. The team will also discuss your priorities, timeframes, and methodologies for survey administration.

Survey Dissemination, Analysis and Feedback: We will provide a link to the surveys, analyze the responses, and provide actionable data.