

TOWN HALL MEETING

Suspicious Activity Reporting Human Trafficking

A Community Question & Answer Session

**Sponsored by the PA State Police, Clarion
and PA State Representative Donna Oberlander**

Trinity Point Church of God

180 West Trinity Drive

Clarion, PA 16214

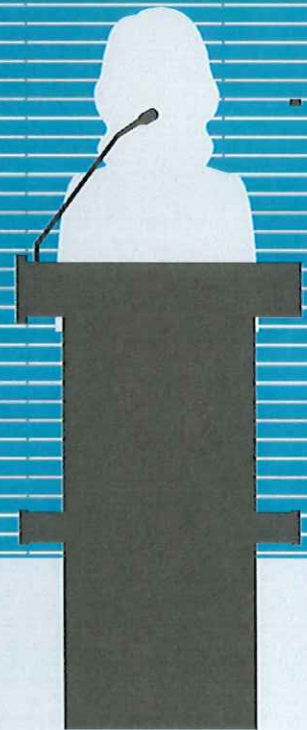
Monday, February 12, 2018

Doors open at 6:00 PM

Program starts at 6:30 PM

The event will feature a PA State Police Intelligence Analyst who will discuss the importance of good communications between the public and law enforcement. It will allow those in attendance to ask questions and get answers.

To better protect our communities from criminal and terrorist activity, it is everyone's responsibility to identify and report suspicious behavior. Be a part of making our communities safer!



**CLARION COUNTY SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY REPORTING AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING TOWN HALL
MEETING**

Clarion County – Due to the escalation of terrorist attacks throughout the world, along with the increase of human trafficking within the Commonwealth, the Pennsylvania State Police and Pennsylvania State Representative Donna Oberlander will be hosting a town hall meeting to discuss the reporting of unusual or suspicious behavior to law enforcement. The event will take place on Monday, February 12, 2018 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at the Trinity Point Church of God located at 180 West Trinity Drive, Clarion, PA 16214. Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

The Town Hall Meeting will feature an Intelligence Analyst from the Pennsylvania State Police Critical Infrastructure/Key Resource Unit who will present on both topics. This interactive gathering will allow those in attendance to ask questions and get answers.

Suspicious Activity Reporting

The world in which we live is rapidly changing and, in order to keep each other safe, we must adapt to current circumstances. To better protect our communities from criminal acts, as well as domestic and international terrorist attacks, it is everyone's responsibility to identify unusual or suspicious behavior. Suspicious activity reporting continues to be the best defense against such attacks and it is one of the greatest means for developing resilience. A partnership between the community and law enforcement is essential to the success of anti-terrorism efforts and criminal activity prevention.

Human Trafficking

Trafficking in persons is a serious crime and a grave violation of human rights. Every year, thousands of men, women and children fall into the hands of traffickers. Due to the vast network of interstate highways, Pennsylvania is a popular "Pass-Through" state for human trafficking as it provides relatively easy access to major hubs in Ohio, New Jersey, and New York. The I-95 corridor, which runs through eastern Pennsylvania, also connects the entire eastern seaboard. As a result, Pennsylvania is frequently part of the movement of human traffickers.

In this presentation, the audience will be informed of the types of human trafficking as well as the indicators of both human trafficking victims and perpetrators. The presentation emphasizes that human

trafficking exists in our own local communities. The speaker stresses that bold efforts must be made to put those who traffic persons behind bars. The ultimate goal of this training is to request assistance from the general public by reporting any and all indicators that could be related to trafficking and prevent further victimization. Communication between the community and law enforcement is a key component in the effort to combat this hideous crime.