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## **Illinois Integrated Justice Information System:**

- **September 11, 2001 - Terrorism strikes United States soil;**
- **Our world has been profoundly affected and changed;**
- **Much needed measures are imperative to bolster our Nation's and Communities' security.**



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## Justice Enterprise Across Illinois

- **Municipal & Sheriff's Law Enforcement Agencies**
- **County Agencies**  
*prosecutor, clerk, social services, probation, defense, etc.*
- **State Agencies**  
*State Police, IDOC, Amber Alert, IEMA, SOS, Fire Marshall, AVN, etc*
- **Federal Agencies**  
*FBI, ATF, DEA, USM, Secret Service, etc.*

## A little bit about Illinois.....



- **Land of Lincoln**
- **Known as the transportation center of the United States.**
- **Illinois is an important agricultural state with farms covering more than 80 percent of the state's area.**
- **Metropolitan Chicago, the country's leading rail center, is also a major industrial, as well as a commercial and financial center.**
- **The Illinois River forms the greater part of the Illinois Waterway, which links the Great Lakes with the Mississippi.**



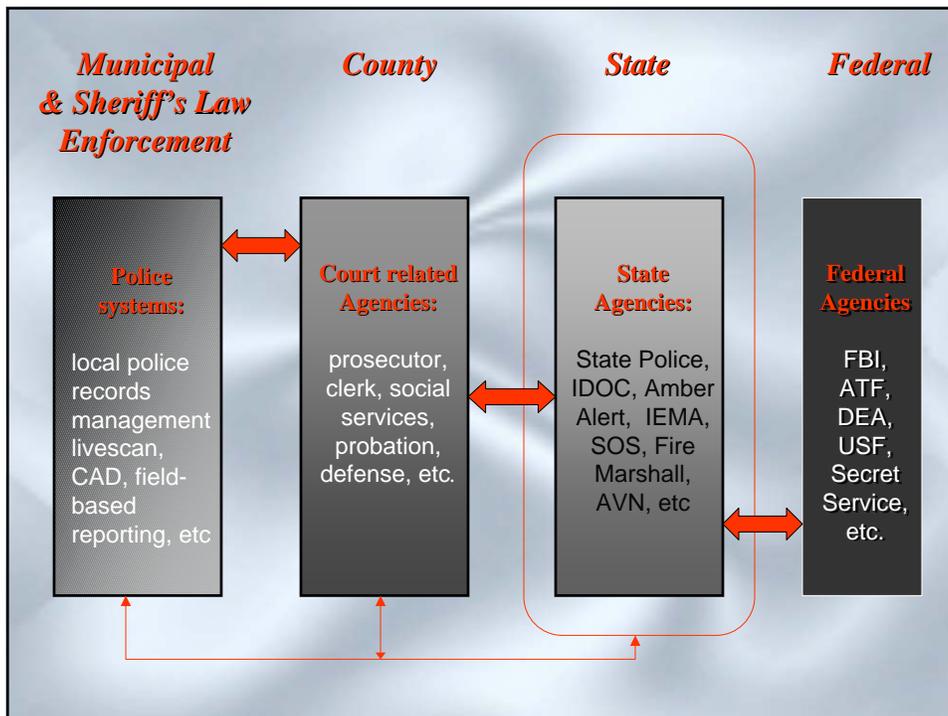
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## What is Integration?

Integrated justice information sharing generally refers to the ability to share **critical information** at **key decision points** throughout the justice enterprise.



## The Washington D.C. Snipers



**14 September 2002**

A witness told police that the offenders in a shooting at the Hillandale Beer & Wine store were driving a dark colored Chevrolet Caprice.

**3 October 2002**

A witness told police that they saw a dark colored Chevrolet Caprice drive away from the scene of the Washington D.C. sniper killing.

- The car that John Muhammad and John Malvo were arrested in during the course of their serial killings was spotted **two** times.
- Newspapers claim that after the arrest, the investigation of the car the snipers were driving shows the license plate was run by various police agencies at least **ten times** during the shooting spree.
- This means police may have confronted the offenders at least **ten times**, but had no knowledge that the suspect vehicle may have been used in a crime.

## ***The Need For Integration***

The ***ability*** to check ***incident level data*** across jurisdictions could have tied the two shooting incidents together, provided vehicle information about the snipers, and prevent further killing.

The ability to run the Chevrolet Caprice against other incident level data could have ***tied*** the ***two shootings***

The crime ***pattern*** established by both shootings could have provided the police in the ***ten subsequent sightings*** of the vehicle with information that would have justified further investigation, which possibly could have brought the sniper investigation to an ***earlier conclusion***.



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## Why Integration?

- **Elimination of redundant data entry**
- **Timely and accurate information**
- **Improved criminal history records**



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## Solution: Enter Once, Use Often

- **Offender-related information is entered directly into a computer system by arresting or reporting officer**
- **This information is transferred electronically to all “upstream” justice agencies (as needed)**
- **Information may be enhanced but will never be re-entered manually**

## Integration Functions

**Query** local, regional, statewide and national databases;

**Push** information to another agency based on actions taken within the originating agency;

**Pull** information from other systems for incorporation into the recipient agency system;

**Publish** information regarding people, cases, events and agency action; and

**Subscription** for an authorized agency.



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## Integration Outcomes

- **Ability** to exchange info based on locally defined rules
- **Ensure** appropriate privacy and security
- **Minimize** redundant data entry
- **Provide** event notification
- **Expedite** inter-agency data transfer
- **Maximize** data integrity
- **Provide** data access control
- **Reduce** paper transfers



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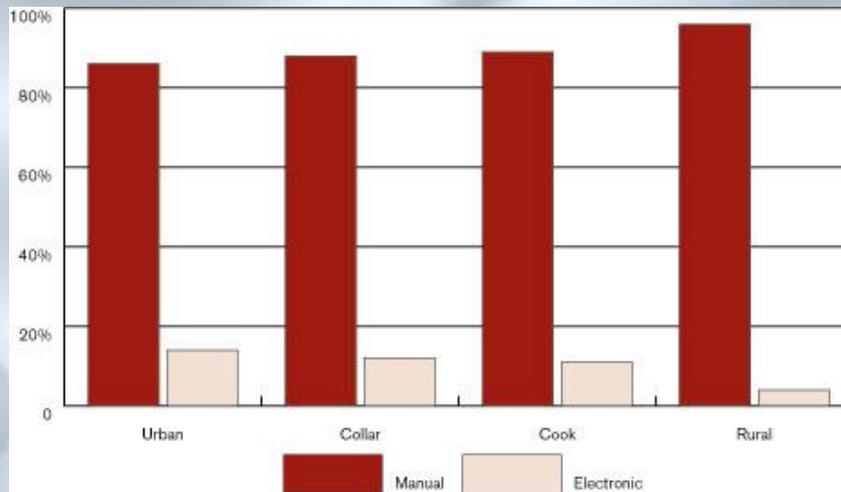
## Initiatives Proposed to NGA

- Establish an integration governing body
- Conduct a statewide needs analysis with feasibility study and data audit
- Replace paper-based information transfers with electronic “real-time” transfers at known justice information exchange points

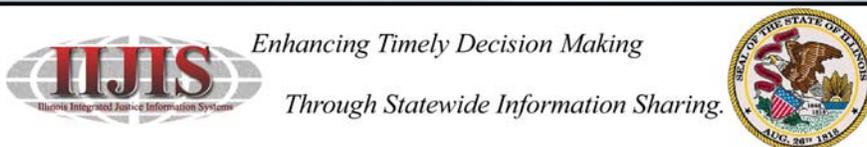
## Why Now?

- Technologies are *now available* that facilitate integration while using existing systems infrastructure.
- Federal Government is *emphasizing* justice systems integration.
- It has become clear that paper and batch data exchanges necessitated by silo systems *are not* as efficient.

## Primitive Nature of Information Sharing among Justice Agencies in Illinois



The following reports reflect the IJIS Project's first efforts at cataloging the current state of justice information management and sharing in Illinois. The reports include the survey responses of 239 justice agencies including 130 police departments, 31 circuit court clerk's offices, 29 probation departments, 27 sheriff's offices, and 22 state's attorneys' offices.



## Current Integration Activity in Illinois

- **I-CLEAR announcement by Governor**
- **McLean County consolidated criminal justice information system**
- **DuPage County automation of specific data exchanges**

## Outreach to Counties Engaged in Integration

- On June 30, 2003, individuals working on county-level integration met to discuss common needs.
- McLean, Lake, McHenry, Tazewell, Champaign, Sangamon, Kane, DuPage, Will and Cook are engaged in justice systems integration activities.
- There is a need for coordination so that individuals working on integration at the county level will know what their counterparts in other counties are doing.

## IIJIS Activities to Date

- Executive Order No. 12 (2001) and No. 16 (2003) signed by Governor
- Grant funds received from NGA/Byrne
- IIJIS Implementation Board formed four standing committees: *Planning & Policy, Technical, Outreach, and Funding*
- Integration “White Papers”
- IIJIS website [www.iijis@icjia.state.il.us](http://www.iijis@icjia.state.il.us)



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## Converting Mission to Objectives

- **Establish** and oversee advisory committees as needed to research and make recommendations on a variety of integration issues.
- On an ongoing basis, **oversee, prioritize, and review** integration initiatives to ensure they achieve IIJIS goals and objectives.
- On an ongoing basis, **devise** strategies to manage risks and resolve obstacles.
- Annually **update** strategic plan to provide ongoing and long-term direction.



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## IIJIS Responsibilities

Develop and support standards to enable sharing of information between local jurisdictions, to state systems and other states, as well as national systems opening a gateway to relevant national/federal systems.

***“The new (I-CLEAR) system is cost-effective because it allows the City and State to pool their resources into a highly sophisticated data base, rather than spending millions on parallel systems” .....*** Governor Blagojevich

**In addition, local police departments will save money by making more efficient use of their personnel. Instead of spending hours on the phone, officers will obtain the information they need with a few keystrokes.**

Chicago Tribune January 8, 2004



**We cannot ignore spending the necessary money to implement an Integrated Justice System in Illinois, *without delay*, which will act as the *bedrock foundation* to our local, state and national homeland security.**

**For every *dollar* we invest in *prevention* we could save thousands of lives.**





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