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LEGITIMATE COMPLAINTS

- Specific
- Person was directly involved or witnessed first-hand
- Sounds like possible violation of policy or code of ethics



HANDLING LEGITIMATE COMPLAINTS

- If needed, get conversation offline
- Determine facts of the situation
- Turn it over to someone who can make it right
- Often converts haters to fans



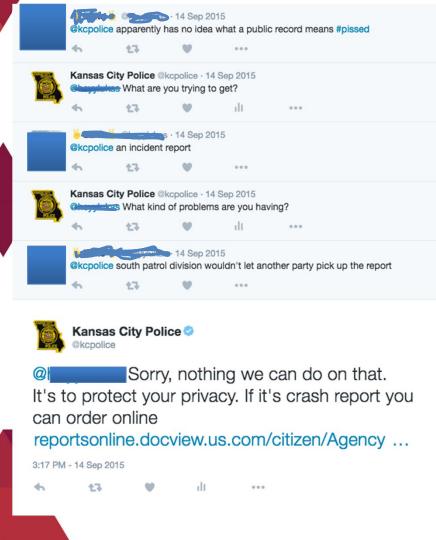


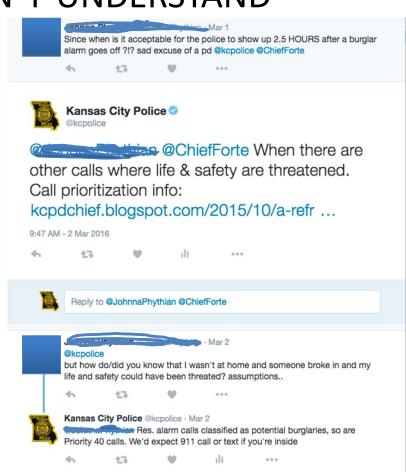
I really appreciate that you took action on this. I truly respect that.

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PEOPLE WHO DON'T UNDERSTAND







Educate, educate, educate!

- Refer to policy, blogs, videos
- If many don't understand the same thing, do a PSA or media blast
- Put them in contact with a subject matter expert

UPDATE: Ashlee has been located and is OK. Thank you!

The KCPD Missing Persons unit requests your assistance in locating Ashlee Strobel, 11 years old of KCMO. Ashlee was last scene at Antioch Middle School wearing a blue shirt and blue jeans. Ashlee is 4 foot 11 inches tall and weighs 70 pounds. Ashlee has brown hair and blue eyes. Please call 911 if you locate Ashlee.







Kaitlin Violet Eby With an amber alert, you unfortunately need a description of the suspected kidnapper... or at least their vehicle. This would be a missing child report.

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Kansas City Missouri Police Department ♥ Yes, Amber Alerts are very specific: Police must have evidence the child was kidnapped and is in imminent danger. Neither of those things were the case in this incident. Here's more information on Amber Alert guidelines: http://www.amberalert.gov/guidelines.htm.

AMBER Alert

AMBER Alert, Department of Justice

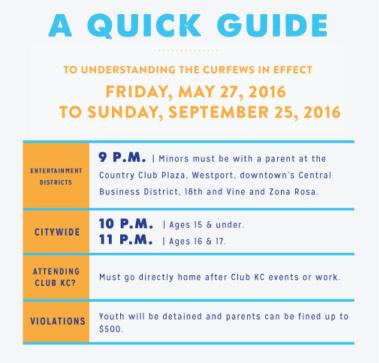
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"Why We Do What We Do" PSAs

Curfew press release
And graphic:





TROLLS

"Trolls ... don't just want to insult a particular person, they want to start a fight – hopefully one that has a broader application, and brings in more people that just the object of their original trolling. The term derives from a fishing technique – say your stupid thing, watch the world bite."

Zoe Williams: "What is an Internet Troll?" *The Guardian,* Sept. 2012





Kansas City Missouri Police Department

Published by Sarah St John Boyd [?] - September 29 at 4:14pm - €

We announced today that The Kansas City Police Department was one of six agencies nationwide to receive a Smart Policing Initiative Grant from the U.S. Department of Justice. The three-year, \$700,000 grant will go toward identifying concentrated areas of violent crime - "micro hotspots" no larger than two to three blocks - in East Patrol Division. The grant will then fund multiple evidence-based strategies to help neighborhoods become selfpolicing, also known as building collective efficacy. More: http://kcmo.gov/ .../kcpds-east-patrol-division-awarded-700k-.../





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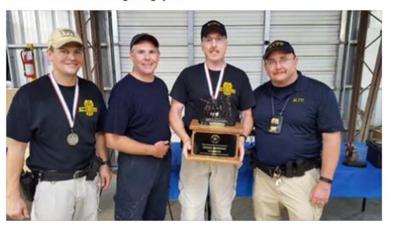
Boost Post



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Published by Lynsay Holst [?] · September 19 at 3:10pm · €

We competed, placed and won in several different categories at this year's Border Showdown. Congrats guys!!





How to handle trolls

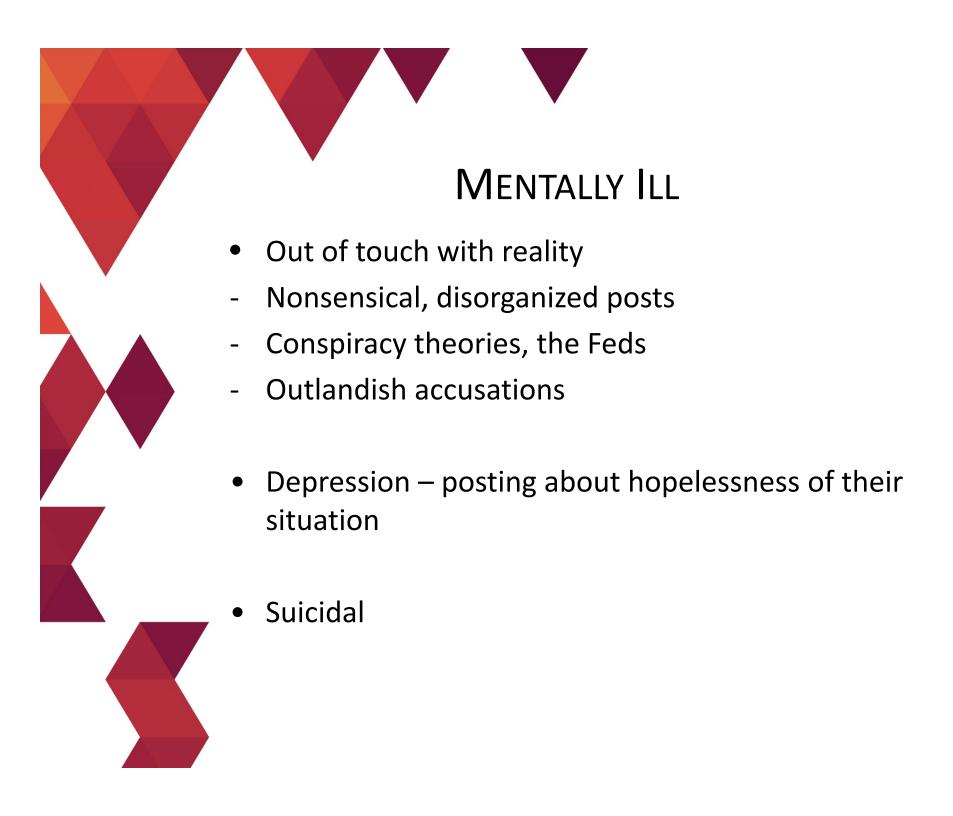
• It's best to ignore them. They're sadists!

Respond one time if absolutely necessary

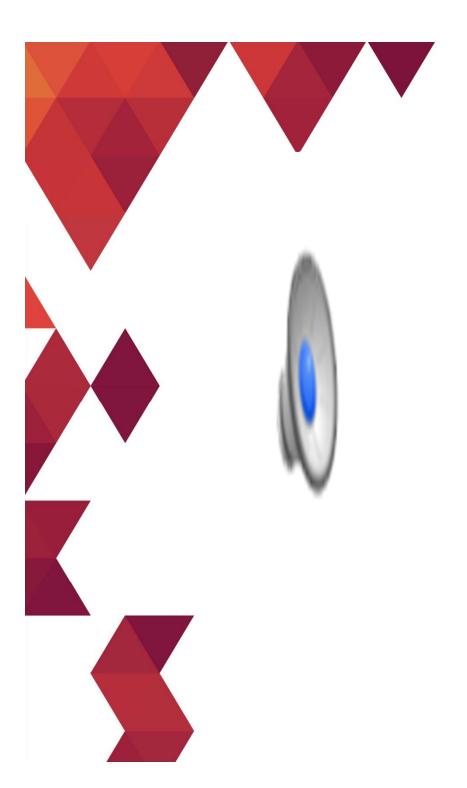
Let your fans stand up for you

Work with others to ID trolls

Last resorts: hiding, deleting, blocking









As the hours of daylight decrease this fall, the City of Kansas City, Mo. Government is encouraging residents to be safe when out and about after dark. Kansas City's Public Works department is leading the "Glow Before You Go" campaign to remind pedestrians and bicyclists that they must be seen to be safe. Our Bike Patrol officers will be at First Fridays in the Crossroads Art District tonight distributing safety lights. A booth with safety information and giveaways will be set up at Keller Williams Skyline Reality, 1724 S. Main St., and the Art and Bike Clubhouse at 512 E. 18th St. More: www.kcmo.gov/glow.



Glow Before You Go

....When I was a kid I believed police went after the bad guys and rescued crime victim. Now I realize police are often paid off by organized crime to let the bad guys get away and help finish off the crime victim for them. This is what's happening to me right now and here is why.

Laila Ali apparently decided that my set of skills, talents and accomplishments qualified me for the position of house nigger and proceeded to offer me a job as such after noticing the distressed position I was in. You see, an international hacker crime ring cult leader and alleged pedophile hacked-n-stole very lucrative intellectual property from me, turned her cult against me and planned to have me murdered so she could get away with it. As a private chef it is dreamy to imagine working for a high profile family. Laila Ali apparently decided to claim to spearhead my rescue from this crime cult's clutches with a job offer working for her when in actuality she had secretly joined the cult, married the leader who stole my intellectual property, became co-cult leaders with Ali York who had my home invaded, infested with hidden cameras and audio equipment among other alterations, and was actually spearheading my destruction. The alleged rescue took on the form of an alleged job offer which eventually amounted to an offer for both slavery and sex slavery. Although the job position did not involve driving horses like in Uncle Tom's Cabin which would have been awesome, a car was offered instead which was doable. The media showed me which car ad to post on my facebook page in response to the socially complicated and multi faceted alleged rescue/job offer/flirtation gone wrong (there was a flirtation amidst this as well), and what flower variety to post and scolded me for forgetting the chocolates in response to the celebrity's request to send some love back from her facebook page. The mysterious connect the dots game seemed kind of strange, but so is eating one's feces or anyone's for that matter. The flirtation featured many red flags i.e. the initiator of the flirtation is married so unless she's in an open or polyamorous marriage that's cheating, the initiator of the flirtation is an alcoholic, I have never been within pheromone

HOW TO HANDLE MENTALLY ILL SOCIAL MEDIA FOLLOWERS

- If they're in crisis, get a CIT officer to them
- Clear threats to hurt themselves or others
- Alarming frequency of posts could = psychotic episode
- Otherwise, it's best to ignore. Perhaps hide posts to spare them from trolls.

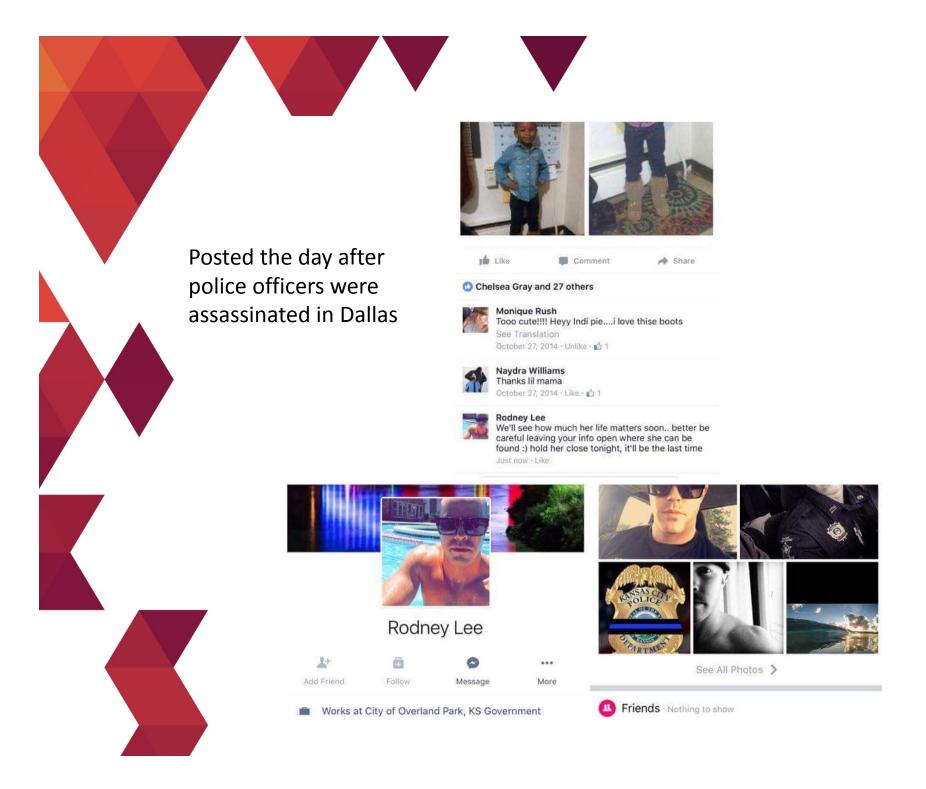


How to handle mistaken identity posts

• Tell them it's not you.

- You may get responses anyway:
- "Well what would YOU do in that situation?"
- "Doesn't matter, you're all pigs.
- Ignore.

So do you tell them which agency it really is?



VIRAL HATERS

 Bad-news story about your agency goes viral – haters come from around the globe!

Spam your Facebook posts

 Sometimes they call and yell at you, too.

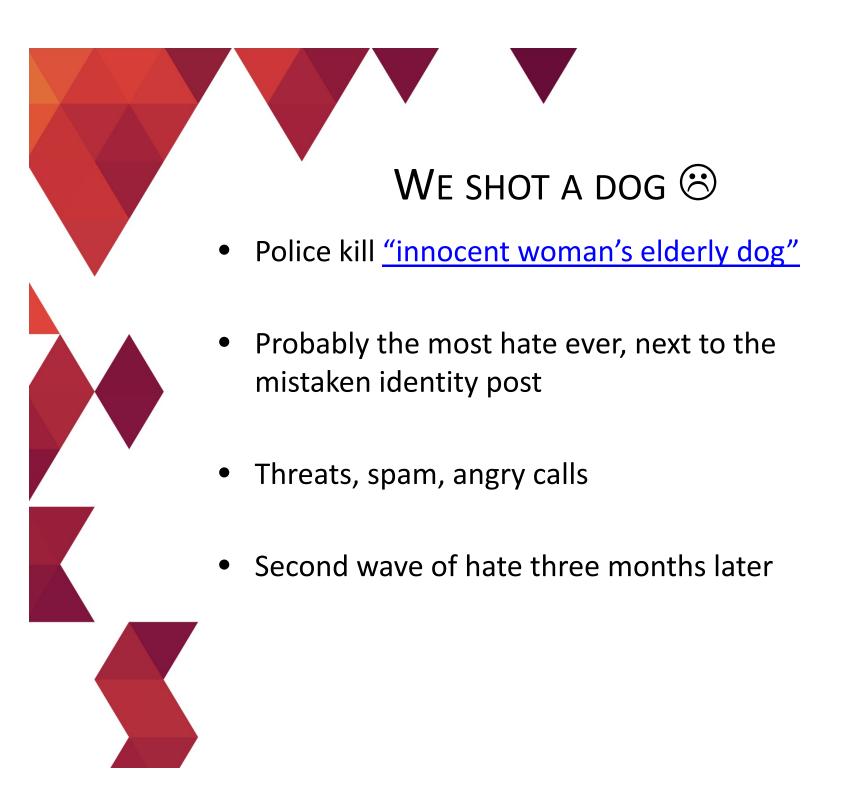
How to Handle Viral Haters

• Prioritize your community.

Mess up, 'fess up and move on

• If you stand by the actions, post one statement or don't respond, period.

 Terms of Use – take down threats and spam (more soon)



HATERS WHO ARE JUST GONNA' HATE

They hate you no matter what.





LlyAange @appelman816 @kcpolice This Starbucks is downtown, not near majority Black neighborhoods. & without transportation it's not accessible

19 Aug from Twitter for iPhone retweeted by 1strugglekc

• You just gotta' shake, shake, shake, shake it off, shake it off.

If you must respond, wait an hour or two



- Sometimes, haters can be converted
- Posts indicate a little education & interaction could sway them.
- Take the time to respond to them.
- A real person talks to them
- They're barraged with all your good news.



They be hatin, but they still be followin'

TOOLS FOR PREVENTING ONLINE HATE

A legion of supportive fans (see Troll examples)

Clever responses! Discretion required.





LIMITED PUBLIC FORUM

Props: Chief Billy Grogan, Dunwoody, GA, Police Dept.

As defined by case law so far, Facebook is closest to a "limited public forum" – like an organized meeting in a government building.

To restrict certain comments as a governmental entity, you must establish the location where you're allowing comments as a limited public forum. This can be done by publicly designating the platform a Limited Public Forum and outlining your terms of use.

