



GANG ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER

TRAINING TIP

Gang Evolution

Today's street gangs are not a recent or new phenomenon. They are the result of an evolution more than two centuries in the making. During this progression of change, the street gang has evolved due to both external and internal influences from a set of traditional guidelines, street rules and nontraditional standards:

- Less concerned over turf or territory
- Members of mixed races and ethnicities
- Members may belong to more than one gang
- Members may switch from one gang to another
- Students with good grades
- Employed
- Highly Educated
- No previous contact with police
- Middle-Class/Wealthy families
- Part-time Gangsters
- Sometimes the most dangerous