



CENCOM E9-1-1

BECOMES THE ONLY MEMBER IN LAKE COUNTY ILLINOIS TO
HAVE A PREMIER PROGRAM DESIGNED TO PROTECT
**Round Lake Beach, Round Lake Heights, Round Lake Park,
Round Lake and Antioch's CHILDREN**

From the moment the report of a missing child comes in, to the resolution of the case, every action taken has the potential to make the difference between a successful recovery or a tragic outcome.

The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) developed the Missing Kids Readiness Program to promote best practices for responding to calls of missing, abducted, and sexually exploited children. 911 call centers and law enforcement agencies are recognized for meeting essential training and policy elements demonstrating preparedness for responding to a missing child incident.

To meet the requirements of the Program, **CenCom E9-1-1** worked with NCMEC on their missing child policy to ensure it met the critical elements of NCMEC's model policy for call center agencies. In addition, **Taryn Sofie, Deputy Director**, completed her required training, and she ensured all **Telecommunicators, Communication Supervisors, and the Executive Director** completed the online training required for their membership. By demonstrating remarkable leadership, and making this commitment of training and preparedness, **CenCom E9-1-1** is communicating to its citizens and families, protecting the lives and safety of their children is a top priority.

Armed with the information, knowledge and operational resources gained through meeting the program criteria, **CenCom E9-1-1** is positioned to respond more quickly, comprehensively, and effectively when a child's life may be at stake.

Hopefully, **other agencies in Lake County Illinois** will recognize the achievement of **CenCom E9-1-1** and will want to follow suit.

We at the National Center would like to express our sincere gratitude and congratulations to

CenCom E9-1-1 for achieving this milestone, and for their diligence and commitment to children.

To learn more about NCMEC and the Missing Kids Readiness Program, go to:
<https://www.missingkids.org/education/training/mkrp>

For a full listing of all MKRP recognized agencies, go to:
<http://www.missingkids.org/supportus/pon>