

CASE STUDY

Kentucky League of Cities Insurance Services (KLCIS)

Why KLCIS incentivizes law enforcement agencies to become accredited.

Program Overview

More than 15 years ago, the Kentucky League of Cities Insurance Services (KLCIS) conducted an in-depth risk analysis to find ways to reduce law enforcement liability. Their research concluded that accredited agencies were less likely to experience lawsuits, injuries, and loss.

Accreditation programs, such as the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement (CALEA) and the Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police (KACP) were found to address the three pillars of risk management – leadership, training, and policies. CALEA and KACP address these three components of risk management by ensuring that agencies are following the industry's best practices and policies.

Having analyzed the numbers again, Mark Filburn, a KLCIS Loss Consultant, has found that accredited agencies are less likely to experience lawsuits, injuries, and loss. As a result of these findings, KLCIS offers a discount of up to 10%, to all agencies accredited under KACP or CALEA. Additionally, they offer a Safety Grant up to \$3,000, which can be used to pay for accreditation fees.

"We believe accreditation is one important part of risk management that supports the three critical areas of risk management – leadership, training, and policies."

Mark Filburn
LOSS CONSULTANT
KENTUCKY LEAGUE OF CITIES

Secrets to Success

With 125 agencies accredited by KACP alone, Kentucky is among the top five states in terms of the number of accredited agencies. The success in both reductions in losses and the high numbers of accredited agencies is no accident.

This includes a positive working relationship between KLEC, DOCJT, KACP and the Kentucky League of Cities. In 2017, KACP partnered with PowerDMS to provide a more efficient and paperless accreditation management solution. PowerDMS' cloud-based tool makes the administrative aspects of accreditation less time consuming and allows KACP to review an agency's files from any internet-enabled device remotely. Additionally, the Kentucky League of Cities relies on outside counsel and training from Jack Ryan at the Legal and Liability Risk Management Institute (LLRMI). All of these relationships work together to create a successful risk management program in Kentucky.

"We feel that the partnership of the Chiefs Association Accreditation Program, the leadership of our police chiefs, The Department of Criminal Training, the risk management philosophy support of Jack Ryan at LLRMI and law enforcement loss control staff of the Kentucky League of Cities are why we have lowered our losses and more importantly increased the safety of our officers."

Mark Filburn

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Accreditation Management

PowerDMS is currently partners with more than 37 law enforcement accreditation programs and chiefs associations; serving over 3,000 public safety organizations nationwide.

PowerDMS' accreditation management software electronically publishes the KACP standards and provides a cloud-based platform for agencies to upload, manage, and highlight their proofs of compliance. This not only saves agencies time compiling their self-assessment, but it reduces the cost and complexity of managing a more traditional, paper-based process. PowerDMS streamlines the entire process for KACP, making it easier to recruit and retain agencies for accreditation.

"PowerDMS makes it easier to verify that an agency has implemented policies and training; reducing the time we spend reviewing files by 40%. Additionally, PowerDMS makes it easier for agencies to prove compliance with our accreditation standards."

Shawn Butler

PROGRAM MANAGER
KENTUCKY ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE ACCREDITATION PROGRAM

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