

# Dateline Justice Newsletter

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## OBTS Project Update

The **Offender Based Tracking System (OBTS)** is an integrated, information systems plan, developed with all the state criminal justice agencies to respond to the growing demand for criminal justice data on criminal offenders. An integral part of Connecticut's war on criminal activity is an ability to communicate and manage information on criminal offenders. Timely, complete, and accurate data on persons involved in crimes are necessary to assure these persons are apprehended and prohibited from continuing their criminal activity.

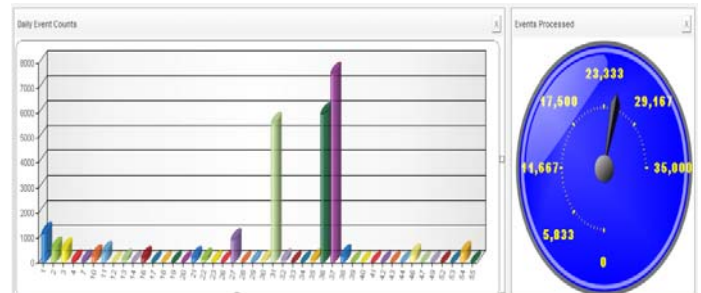
### OBTS Status

On April 1, 2011, we migrated OBTS R6.1 into production. This is a complete technology refresh for the application server. The primary objective for the R6.1 release was to improve message processing performance from a maximum of 2,000 messages per hour to 4,300 messages per hour; however, the new OBTS R6.1 can process well over 6,000 messages per hour.

The technology refresh included updating 10 year old, out of support hardware and software to the latest technology. Also, some OBTS functionality was combined to save licensing fees of over \$100,000 a year.

## OBTS Reporting

To facilitate the executive decision **to do more with less**, new reporting capabilities are being considered for OBTS and other CJIS initiatives. CJIS plans to use a Dashboard approach for reporting. The concept of a Dashboard is that information is distributed between objects or widgets. The end user can select an icon, then drag and drop the object on their Dashboard. The end result is a personalized report, tailored by the end user to assist in his or her job. To demonstrate using Dashboards to convey information, we created a Heads-Up display for monitoring OBTS application. Please see the dashboard example below.



## CIDRIS Project Update

The **Connecticut Impaired Driver Records Information System (CIDRIS)** is an application centered around an event – driven system, serving as an integrated data repository for inbound messages. The CIDRIS Team has rolled out a pilot of the application with Troop B. They have been working with the Department of Public Safety (DPS), the Judicial Branch, and Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to process OUIs. The CIDRIS Team plans to implement the application with all 12 DPS troops by June 15, 2011

The Team plans to implement two additional layers of security, SSL certificates and MQ authentications on the State's eDirectory. A pilot SharePoint is being set-up for a Management Report Library and to display Key Performance Indicators.

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## Dashboards

Dashboards allow information and data to be shown in graphic details. Free web applications, such as, Google Maps can be used to create dashboards. The CIDRIS Team took Operating Under the Influence (OUI) information and incorporated it into dashboard technology. The result was a dashboard gages showing OUI aging information and the number of OUIs.

Below are mobile dashboards from mobile devices and DMV OUIs aging from 0 to 15, 16 to 24 and 25 to 30 days. Mobile devices will allow the user to view information on arrest cases from CIDRIS and/or OBTS.



The vision for the next six to twelve months is to go paperless for all OUI arrest and have the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and Municipal Police Departments send them electronically. This will help DPS, the Judicial Branch and DMV to continue processing documents electronically.

## CISS Project Update

Connecticut CJIS Governing Board has undertaken the **Connecticut Information Sharing System (CISS)** project to improve information sharing throughout the state of Connecticut's criminal justice community in order to comply with Public Act 08-01. CISS is the first statewide unified

information sharing system to promote the immediate and seamless sharing of information between all law enforcement and criminal justice agencies in Connecticut.

Recently, the Proposal Review Team (PRT) met and selected a vendor for the CISS Project. Contract negotiations are underway between the Department of Information Technology Procurement Division and the vendor. As soon as the negotiations are completed an announcement will be made as to who is the vendor. Eight million dollars has been appropriated to get the CISS Project moving forward. The goal is to complete the contract negotiation by August 3, 2011 and begin implementation of the project within the same month.

It is imperative that a staff is hired for CISS to implement and maintain the project. The most critical staff members who need to be hired immediately are the Business and Program Managers. These positions are crucial for contract talks and connection points between agencies and vendors.

On April 21, 2011, the CJIS Governing Board appointed Mr. Sean Thakkar to be the CISS Contract Administrator.

### Next 180 Day Plan

- Continue with the SDM Business Requirements Phase.
- Negotiate and execute a contract with the vendor.
- Hire key CISS staff (Program manager, Business Manager, Project managers, and key members of the development team) before May 31, 2011.

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