

## Descriptive Transcript – COPS Training Portal Learning Partner: National Association of School Resource Officers Introductory Video

### Opening Sequence:

[Cheerful music plays. The opening sequence of the COPS Training Portal logo fades in.]

[On-screen text: Our Learning Partners. A Series]

[On-screen text: Featuring National Association of School Resource Officers]

[NASRO logo appears. National Association of School Resource Officers. THE world's leader in school-based policing]

### Navigation Section:

[On-screen text: About NASRO]

[Four content headings labeled: ABOUT, TRAINING, RELEVANCY, RESOURCES fade in. The ABOUT tab is highlighted in orange; the others are blue.]

### About NASRO:

[Headshot photo and on-screen text: About NASRO, Mo Canady, Executive Director, NASRO]

I'm Mo Canady and I serve as the Executive Director for the National Association of School Resource Officers and I've been here in that position for a little over 12 years. We, of course, are a not-for-profit association with a goal of doing our part to help keep schools safe, places where teachers can teach and students can learn. As an association, NASRO has conducted school-based law enforcement training since 1991. The main way that that NASRO has contributed to public safety in general is in, first of all, advocating for those officers that work in a school environment and how important it is that they're carefully selected. And then how important it is that they're specifically trained.

When officers and we're talking about veteran officers who come to take our 40 hour basic course to prepare for their role in the school environment, we're talking about things that they need to know more about, like adolescent brain development,

implicit bias, school-based law, search and seizure in a school environment, threat assessment, you know how to deal with those types of circumstances.

So in training them specifically to do this job and engage in the school environment, they're able to be much more productive and much more effective.

Navigation Section:

[On-screen text: NASRO's Training]

[Four content headings labeled fade in: ABOUT, TRAINING, RELEVANCY, RESOURCES. The TRAINING tab is highlighted in orange; the others are blue.]

NASRO's Training:

[Headshot photo and on-screen text: NASRO's Training, Mo Canady, Executive Director, NASRO]

Well, I think that the training we designed for the Portal aligns with our with our mission. And so part of that mission is to help new SROs in particular understand exactly what their role is and what it is not. And that they are to be part of a of a larger, if you will, school safety team on their campus. And that can't be understated that that has to be the approach that they take. It certainly is tremendous value for us just to be, you know, aligned in that Portal with so many fantastic other organizations and associations and the work that they do and so when we look at school based policing, that really is to us the epitome of community based policing. We hit on that in every block of the training because that's really what we want school resource officers doing in that environment and for that to be a priority.

Navigation Section:

[On-screen text: Relevancy of NASRO's Training]

[Four content headings labeled fade in: ABOUT, TRAINING, RELEVANCY, RESOURCES. The RELEVANCY tab is highlighted in orange; the others are blue.]

Relevancy of NASRO's Training:

[Headshot photo and on-screen text: Relevancy of NASRO's Training, Mo Canady, Executive Director, NASRO]

I think it's critically important that we in a united way make it very clear about the significant difference in a school resource officer. We have to make sure moving

forward that we we all understand and grasp that when you put a law enforcement officer in a school environment it is the most unique assignment that they'll ever have. There's not another assignment like this.

And of course, fitting that definition, being carefully selected, being specifically trained, as opposed to just putting law enforcement in schools and not doing anything more. When that happens, that's a mistake. And many times it does not end well. The violence issue, the gun issue, everybody recognizes that that's on the rise. And I don't see that tapering off any time soon. So we've got to make sure that as we put officers in schools, that that they are thoroughly trained in how to deal with all circumstances and certainly the armed assailant circumstance.

Navigation Section:

[On-screen text: Where to Find NASRO Resources]

[Four content headings labeled fade in: ABOUT, TRAINING, RELEVANCY, RESOURCES. The REOURCES tab is highlighted in orange; the others are blue.]

Where to Find NASRO Resources Section:

[Headshot photo and on-screen text: Where to Find NASRO Resources, Mo Canady, Executive Director, NASRO]

So one of our one of the best ways to find resources related to NASRO is certainly going to be on our website at NASRO, nasro.org. You'll find resources on there in terms of the training schedule. You'll find information on there about our national conference, which we hold a large national conference every summer. You can also find us on social media. We're very active on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram. If someone wants to talk to a human being, they can always call our office. The phone line is answered from our basically 8 to 5 Monday through Friday, and that number is 18883162776.

[The COPS Training Portal logo fades on the screen, pauses, and then fades off.]

[On-screen text reads: COPS Training Portal]

[On-screen text: The COPS Training Portal is managed by the National Center for Policing Innovation.]

[The National Center for Policing Innovation (NCPI) logo fades on-screen below the text.]

[On-screen text: This project is supported by cooperative agreement numbers 2020CKWXK050, 15JCOPS21GK02125MUMU, and 15JCOPS22GK03547PPSE awarded by the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, U.S. Department of Justice. The opinions contained herein are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily represent the official position or policies of the U.S. Department of Justice. References to specific agencies, companies, products, or services should not be considered an endorsement by the author(s) or the U.S. Department of Justice. Rather, the references are illustrations to supplement discussion of the issues. The Internet references cited in this publication were valid as of the date of the publication. Given that URLs and websites are in constant flux, neither the author(s) nor the COPS Office can vouch for their current validity.]