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THE FINAL PUSH – *Transitioning from PIF to PRMIS*



It has been a long journey since the first officer entered the first keystroke to move her previously handwritten incident form to a digital Police Information Form (PIF). Now countless hours later, the final iteration of the digital tool that will be used to revolutionize data collection and analysis to aid crime prevention across the Caribbean is almost ready. This final tool is The Police Records Management Information System (PRMIS) and it is a major installment of the project which will aid police forces in automating processes for standardizing and disaggregating crime data in beneficiary countries. Designed to foster data driven policing, it is expected to result in valid, reliable, and comparable data for citizen security decision making. This helpful tool has been built on the foundation of the Police Incident Form.

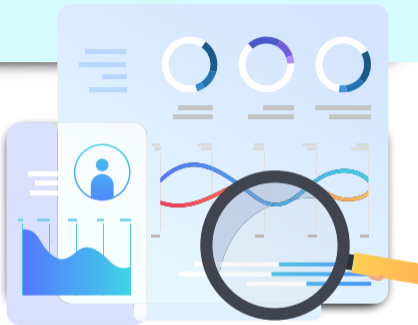
	PIF	PRMIS
Capturing Crime Data	✓	✓
Accuracy	✓	✓
Document Management System	✗	✓
Executive Dashboard Analytics	✗	✓
Automatic Crime Data Reporting	✗	✓

News From the Frontlines: St. Kitts and Nevis

The Royal St. Christopher and Nevis Police Force benefitted from a crime analyst training course supported by the UNDP Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean CariSECURE Project. The course introduced police officers and statisticians of the English-speaking eastern Caribbean countries to the Crime Analyst Profession and increased the local capacity of trainees.

The purpose of any **Crime Analyst Unit (CAU)** within police services, is to provide authorities with timely and relevant crime data that will enable the most appropriate use of its resources in the fight against identified or developing crime trends. As such, the unit in St Kitts and Nevis will accomplish this goal using analytical processes to examine collated crime data into **tactical, strategic, and administrative analysis reports.**

A crime analysis unit can assist in creating realistic expectations with regards to the crime reduction accountability process. The CAU creates products that identify problems and direct resources, hold managers accountable for their effectiveness in reducing crime and determine the effectiveness of the organization in reducing crime and disorder. With a functional CAU, products can be disseminated that cater to specific audiences such as government officials, police, administrative heads, front line staff, the media, provide answers to those in the field of academia or even provide support for agency grant work. The overall objective of the creation of a CAU is to provide the organization with a modern tool to effectively analyze and utilize available resource in its short and long-term strategies for the **detection and prevention of crime.**



Tactical Crime Analysis

will assist in short-term development goals of the organization as it relates to patrols, investigative priorities resource deployment. The CAU will produce such reports by examining disaggregated data in relation to location, time, offender, victim, modus operandi, repeat incidents, crime patterns and crime series.



Strategic Crime Analysis

will address the long-term strategies, policies and prevention techniques that may be employed by the organization for crime prevention and reduction.

The CAU will produce reports that examines long term statistical trends, hot spots or problem areas in connection with data from other agencies such as census data with the specific goal of identifying long term problems and why they are occurring.



Administrative Crime Analysis

will focus on the administrative needs of the police, government, and the communities the police serve. The CAU will produce data products that provide accountability analysis, districting and redistricting analysis, patrol staffing analysis, community-focused analysis, and cost-benefit analysis.



Figure 1: shows tactical, strategic & administrative crime analysis techniques

THE FUTURE OF CARISECURE

While flying police cars, digital detectives and robot officers may be possible in some futuristic version of our world; the Caribbean is focusing on a nearer future, where digital crime analysis can produce real results to moving citizen security into a digital era. As the CariSECURE Project finalizes plans on PRMIS, the impacts of this initiative will be far reaching long after the initial project has closed. Take a journey to a not to distant future, and see how digital transformation can strengthen citizen security in the region

