WHEN PIOs SHOULD BE NOTIFIED

PIOs should be notified for the following (not an all-inclusive list):

1) Shootings, stabbings, major assaults
2) Homicide/suicide/other dead bodies: suspicious death/sudden unexpected death, but not expected/doctor attended death
3) Barricaded persons
4) Missing/endangered children/persons: foul play suspected or high-risk (such as near irrigation canal or other hazard)
5) High-risk warrant service
6) TRT call out
7) CBIT call out
8) Major Crimes Unit call out
9) Major drug busts/INET
10) Aircraft crashes (all)
11) Rail incidents (all)
12) AMBER Alerts (prior to the alert being issued)
13) Endangered Missing Person Advisories (EMPA) (prior to the alert being issued)
14) Industrial/workplace death or serious injury
15) Officer-involved use of force resulting in injury or death
16) Traffic collisions anywhere in the county (state/interstate highways included) which cause fatality(ies) or major injury(ies); or hazardous materials release; or which require the closing of a roadway
17) Dangerous road conditions (warning to motorists about icy roads, blowing dust, etc.). (State/interstate highways included)
18) Rapidly evolving incidents with risk to public safety:
   a) Natural disasters
   b) Road closures
   c) Emergency evacuations (Level 1, 2 or 3) for any reason
   d) Fires which threaten homes/businesses/human lives
   e) Hazardous materials releases
   f) Manhunts for fleeing suspects
   g) Active shooter/targeted violence incidents
19) Significant injuries to a child possibly caused by abuse, neglect or assault
20) Incidents where activity may be open to differing opinions and was publicly obvious and/or recorded
21) Incidents involving public officials or celebrities
22) On duty serious injury or death of a law enforcement officer, firefighter or EMT from any Grant County agency
23) Incidents requiring the public to be made aware of a particular crime or risk
24) Incidents where GCSO asks the public for help with information on locating suspects
25) When your gut tells you that you should probably do it. We will help you triage the issue.
News Release Info

1. CR#
2. Date of Incident
3. Time of Incident
4. Location of Incident
5. Name of Victim/Age/Sex/Address
6. Name of Suspect(s)/Age/Sex/Address
   a. (Note: We don’t generally publish names of juveniles, but we do publish their age).
7. Arrested?
8. Charges?
9. Did the suspect(s) go to jail?
10. What happened?
    a. Who what where when why how
11. Was any use of force involved?
12. Other newsworthy details
AMBER ALERT


***Call PIOs before sending out the AMBER Alert***

All elements 1 through 5 should be satisfied, after considering all the facts and circumstances of the incident, for the incident to qualify as an AMBER Alert.

1. The child is under eighteen (18) years of age, is known to be abducted, and is not a runaway or throw away from home.

2. The abducted child is believed to be in danger of death or serious bodily injury.

3. The AMBER Alert activation should occur within 4 hours of the event qualifying under the criteria as an AMBER Alert, unless circumstances or the timeliness of the information warrant otherwise.

4. There must be enough descriptive information available to believe that an AMBER Alert activation will assist in the recovery of the child. (Must include as much of the following information as possible.)
   - Where the abduction took place;
   - A specific physical description of the child [can include clothing worn when last seen; height; weight; age; hair and eye color; hair length; any additional distinguishing physical characteristics];
   - A physical description of the abductor [can include approximate height; weight; hair color/length; eye/skin color; clothing; any distinguishing physical characteristics];
   - Place last seen;
   - Description of the vehicle [color, make, model, license number, approximate year (older, newer)].

5. The incident must be reported to and investigated by a law enforcement agency.

Other info needed

1. Recent photograph of victim and/or suspect
2. CR#
3. Date of Incident
4. Time of Incident
5. Location of Incident/Abduction
6. Name of Victim/Age/Sex/Address
7. Name of Suspect(s)/Age/Sex/Address
The EMPA is initiated by law enforcement agencies using the following criteria:

- The person is missing under either:
  1. Unexplained, involuntary, or suspicious circumstances; and the person is believed to be in danger because of age, health, mental or physical disability [as defined in RCW 71A.10.020(4)], or is a vulnerable adult [as defined in RCW 74.34.020(17)], in combination with adverse environment or weather conditions and/or is believed to be unable to return to safety without assistance.
  2. Voluntary circumstances, only if a person, due to mental disability [as defined in RCW71A.10.020(4)] is in danger because of age or health in combination with adverse environment or weather conditions and/or is believed to be unable to return to safety without assistance.

- There is enough descriptive information that could assist in the safe recovery of the missing person. (Include as much of the following as possible.)
  
  **For missing person** - photo; height; weight; age; hair and eye color; hair length; race; any distinguishing physical characteristics; clothing worn when last seen; vehicle, if any, to include color, make, model, license number, approximate year (older, newer); location last seen, etc.

  **For possible subjects/suspects** - same descriptive information as above.

- The incident has been reported to and investigated by a law enforcement agency.