## WIFLE FOUNDATION 23<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT "WIFLE Foundation's Annual Training" Tampa, Florida August 14-17, 2023

The WIFLE Foundation, Inc. (Women in Federal Law Enforcement) is a national nonprofit organization offering specialized development and networking among Federal, State, Tribal and Local peers in law enforcement. WIFLE:

- ✓ Leads the national discussions and speaks for gender equity in law enforcement.
- ✓ Is organized for law enforcement educational and development purposes.
- ✓ WIFLE attendees include women and men in State, Federal, Tribal and local law enforcement professions involved in all manner of law enforcement programs, as well as students in criminal justice programs.
- ✓ WIFLE fosters, promotes and encourages networking, education sharing, information dissemination, mentoring and partnerships through creative and effective programs.

## Why attend?

Don't miss this training opportunity for you and your coworkers, here are a few reasons:

- Learn from the best and brightest in our field. Experts will showcase best practices for your career covering today, tomorrow and the future.
- Network and make connections with other law enforcement professionals. Learn from others' challenges and get practical solutions to implement in your work.
- WIFLE Exhibit Hall learning about Federal law enforcement agencies and visiting WIFLE vendor displays.
- The inspiration, enthusiasm and knowledge you'll gain from the training will be exceedingly valuable for you and for your organization.
- Experience one of the most successful classroom venues. All training will be held at the Marriott Water Street Hotel. Check their website for brochures and additional details on this venue.
  - The partnership between WIFLE and the venue allow for a cost-efficient event that will be appreciated by WIFLE attendees. Room rates are locked in at the GSA schedule for the WIFLE block.
  - Being located in the eastern US, Tampa is easily accessible and gives an opportunity for attendance to law enforcement located in the central and eastern US states.
  - The history and ambiance of Tampa will be an inspiration for all who attend.

## About Tampa

Tampa is a city on the Gulf Coast of the U.S. state of Florida. Tampa is the largest city in the Tampa Bay area and the seat of Hillsborough County. According to the 2020 census, Tampa is the third-most populated city in Florida and is the 52nd most populated city in the United States.

After purchasing Florida from Spain in 1821, the United States built forts and trading posts in the new territory. Tampa was initially an isolated frontier outpost. The sparse civilian population practically abandoned the area. When the pioneer community living near the US Army outpost of Fort Brooke was incorporated in 1849, it was called "Tampa Town" and the name was later shortened to simply "Tampa." Tampa functioned as a military center during the 19th century. The cigar industry was brought to the city by Vincente Martinez Ybor, after whom Ybor City is named. Tampa was formally reincorporated as a city in 1887 following the Civil War. Today, Tampa's economy is driven by tourism, health care, finance, insurance, technology, construction, and the maritime industry. The bay's port is the largest in the state, responsible for over \$15 billion in economic impact. The city is part of the Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, Florida Metropolitan Statistical Area making it the second-largest metropolitan statistical area in Florida and the fourth largest in the Southeastern United States, behind Washington D.C., Miami, and Atlanta.

Join WIFLE for a destination that is anything but ordinary; Tampa is an ideal setting for the WIFLE Foundation 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual WIFLE Foundation Training. Tampa is serviced by three airports, one in Tampa and two in the metropolitan area that provide significant passenger air service: Tampa International Airport (TPA), St. Petersburg-Clearwater International Airport (PIE) and Sarasota-Brandenton International airport (SRQ).

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