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Multiple Jurisdiction Network Organization
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MCPA and InterTech celebrate one year of MJNO Success

Last year, the MJNO Executive Committee and the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association were looking for ways to support and enhance the growth of MJNO. Their goal was to support the potential of MJNO and make the service accessible to all Law Enforcement agencies across the state. One of the key decisions made to achieve that goal was to select an organization that could administer and manage the project on a full-time basis. Previously, MJNO was supported by contributions of staff-time and materials by the participating agencies. Additionally, the new site administrators needed to work with a variety of member agencies at various levels of technology to ensure that all agencies could participate.

The MJNO Executive Committee and the MCPA agreed that the State of Minnesota, Department of Administration, InterTechnologies Group (Service Development) was an excellent fit. Today, InterTech provides the MJNO membership with most of the components necessary to keep MJNO up and running.

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MJNO Major Milestones:

- ★ MJNO currently connects to 17 different records management systems.
- ★ MJNO member agencies protect and serve 58% of the citizens in Minnesota.

Category	November 2001	November 2002	Growth
Production Agencies	35	137	391%
Registered Users	1,350	3,976	295%
Contact Records	2,750,000	5,774,786	210%
Site Hits	31,200	102,990	330%



InterTech is a division of the Department of Administration at the state of Minnesota. InterTech is the primary agency responsible for the maintenance of the MJNO program.

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Using MJNO Daily Pays off for Chaska Police Department

In March of 2001, the Chaska Police Department started using MJNO. From the beginning, it has been an important part of their investigations and has yielded many positive results. In fact, Chaska developed leads to an ongoing sexual predator case during their initial MJNO department training session.

Investigator Norm Prusinski was assigned to a Criminal Sexual Conduct case where a fifteen year old minor female had sexual intercourse with an eighteen year old male, Charles Tichy. The victim knew the name of the suspect, but had no idea where he lived. Chaska Police Department had just started on MJNO when Norm was assigned to the case.

At the Chaska department where MJNO was being demonstrated, Norm entered the suspect's name into an MJNO search. In that search he found sixty-six suspect contact records that matched the name from ten different jurisdictions. One of those records from the Apple Valley Police Department was critical in locating the suspect. The MJNO record also contained the suspect's full name, phone number and date of birth. Within 24 hours, the suspect was under arrest and gave a full confession. The suspect ultimately pled guilty to Criminal Sexual Conduct without a trial and received county jail time.

Norm explains, "Every case I work, I always check every suspect and witness name for background purposes. I want to find out criminal contacts that may be similar to the MO's to the crime the suspect has done in Chaska or to learn about my witnesses and how truthful they may be with me. Several times, I had witness names but no idea where they lived or a full name or even a date of birth. I can query MJNO with a name and an approximate age, and see from the MJNO listing what person is probably the witness and the type of activity these individuals have had with other agencies. This helps me better evaluate the validity of the witnesses used during investigations."



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MJNO is an extraordinary example of interagency collaboration

The following article will appear in an upcoming addition of the International Chiefs of Police Association SACOP magazine. The SACOP magazine is a publication that is distributed to all Executive Directors of the individual state associations. This article further demonstrates the impact MJNO has in law enforcement.

This is also a good introductory article about MJNO and provides an excellent executive overview to those who are not familiar with MJNO.

MJNO is an extraordinary investigative tool that allows law enforcement agencies to share information at an unprecedented level. This degree of cooperation has never been accomplished before in Minnesota. The Multiple Jurisdiction Network Organization is a collaborative venture by all of the participating agencies to improve communications across systems that normally are not linked. The purpose of the system is to provide police agencies with a tool to improve the efficiency and thoroughness of investigation through collaboration. To date, 133 agencies share 5.5 million contact records utilizing seventeen disparate records management systems (RMS).

MJNO provides its member agencies with a method for sharing incident-based contact information with one another without re-entry of data to an external system. This is accomplished by creating adapters to systems that transport data from the agency's RMS to MJNO. The information that is shared includes all types of contacts and is not limited to arrest data. This is an important and unique approach and often provides leads that would otherwise not be available. Previously, the only external data available to agencies in Minnesota was arrest data on individuals that were charged with a gross misdemeanor level offense or higher.

One of the founding philosophies leading to the success of MJNO is that agencies must contribute data in order to access other member agency data. Another key to the success of MJNO is that the individual agencies retain control over their own data. MJNO has very minimal requirements for acceptance; each agency is responsible for the quality of their own data and decides which classes of data to include. In practice, participating agencies include over 95% of the data in their RMS systems; only highly sensitive contact records are excluded.

The initial development of MJNO was supported by a Federal Telecommunications and Information Infrastructure Assistance Program (TIAP) grant, which was awarded in 1997. Since 2001, MJNO has been self-funded by its member agencies. The sponsorship of the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association (MCPA) played an instrumental part in transforming MJNO into a fully realized investigative system that is available to agencies across the state. A cornerstone of that success is the diligent effort of the MCPA and the founders in setting up a comprehensive governance structure, which includes the political organization required to administer the system. The MCPA created an MJNO Executive Committee made up of Chiefs, Investigators and Information Systems members to provide oversight on the project.

The result is a highly utilized system that is applied in a number of different ways by local law enforcement. MJNO is utilized for general investigative work, including verification of facts and timelines and development of suspect and witness histories. MJNO is a catalyst for interagency communication. Instantly, MJNO points to other agencies that can provide information on contacts. MJNO is also utilized to help physically locate individuals. It is not uncommon for a lack of information or false information on the whereabouts of an individual to exist in ones own RMS. On several occasions, another MJNO agency has provided a record in their system that allows another member agency to locate the individual they are seeking. MJNO is also a very useful tool in background checks and permit processing.

The growth of MJNO in the past year has been unprecedented. MJNO has grown from 35 agencies in 2001, primarily located in the Twin Cities Metropolitan area, to 133 agencies from a variety of different sized agencies from different parts of the state. One of the greatest strengths of MJNO is in the diversity of its membership, which includes the largest urban agencies, suburban agencies, regional centers and small rural communities. The common thread is that MJNO benefits all of these agencies. It is this common vision that makes MJNO extraordinary.



More Agencies achieving MJNO-production status in the fall of 2002



Renville County



Fairfax PD



Franklin PD



Albany PD



Avon PD



Cold Spring PD



Kimball PD

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Melrose PD

Paynesville PD

Image not available at press time



St. Joseph PD

Richmond PD



MJNO Participation Summary

KEY STATISTICS:

☞☞ **MJNO – Multiple Jurisdictional Network Organization**

☞☞ **5,299,884 Adult Contact Records**

☞☞ **474,902 Juvenile Contact Records**

☞☞ **Data collected since 1998**

☞☞ **137 agencies adding data currently (56 unique installations), 8 agencies contributing data through another agency that are not explicitly named, 22 agencies are in various stages of preparing data for the initial load.**

☞☞ **167 agencies committed to MJNO for 2002.**

☞☞ **3,976 officers and agency staff have access to MJNO**

☞☞ **102,990 web hits on the MJNO site.**

☞☞ **MJNO agencies serve a combined community of approximately 2.7 million citizens or 58% of the total state of MN population.**

☞☞ **MJNO communicates with 17 different Records Management Systems at the state, county and local level.**

Agencies that have loaded data to MJNO: 137

Albany
Alexandria
Apple Valley
Appleton
Atwater
Austin
Avon
Bayport
Belle Plaine
Benson
Big Lake
Bloomington
Blue Earth
Blue Earth County
Brainerd
Breezy Point
Brooklyn Center
Brooklyn Park
Burnsville
Canby
Champlin
Chaska
Chippewa County
Clara City
Cold Spring
Cosmos
Cottage Grove
Crosslake
Crow Wing County
Crystal
Dakota County
Dassel
Delevan/Easton
Douglas County
Dunnell
Eagan
Eagle Lake
Eden Prairie
Eden Valley
Edina
Elk River
Elmore
Fairmont
Faribault
Faribault County
Farmington
Fergus Falls
Frost
Glenwood
Golden Valley
Goodview
Grant County
Grove City
Hennepin County
Hutchinson
Isanti

Agencies that have loaded data to MJNO (cont)

Jackson
Janesville
Jordan
Kandiyohi County
Kiester
Kimball
Lac Qui Parle County
Lakeville
Lake Crystal
Lake Shore
Litchfield
Madison
Mankato
Maple Grove
Martin County
Meeker County
Melrose
Mendota Heights
Minneapolis
Minnesota Lake
Minnetonka
Montevideo
Morris
Mountain Lake
Mower County
New Hope
New Prague
Newport
Nisswa
Nobles County
Northfield
Oak Park Heights
Oakdale
Olivia
Orono
OSI - MN DOC
Ottertail County
Owatonna
Paynesville
Plymouth
Pope County
Prior Lake
Probation – MN DOC (Data)
Renville County
Rice County
Richfield
Richmond
Robbinsdale
Rosemount
St. Cloud
St. James
St. Joseph
St. Louis Park
St. Paul
St. Paul Park
St. Peter

Agencies that have loaded data to MJNO (cont)

Sartell
Sauk Centre
Savage
Scott County
Shakopee
Sherburne County
Sherburn/Welch
Stearns County
Steele County
Stillwater
Swift County
Trimont
Truman
U of M (Main Campus)
Waite Park
Waseca
Waseca County
Washington County
Watkins
Watsonwan County
Wayzata
Willmar
Winnebago
Woodbury
Worthington

Agencies contributing data through another agency that are not explicitly named 8:

Ashby
Brandon
Carlos
Elbow Lake
Evansville
Fairfax
Franklin
Osakis

Agencies committed to MJNO that are in the process of creating data files. 22

Baxter
BCA
Bird Island
Braham
Cambridge
Chisago City
Detroit Lakes
Dodge County
Forest Lake
Glencoe
Hastings
Lindstrom
Minnetrista

Agencies committed to MJNO that are in the process of creating data files (cont)

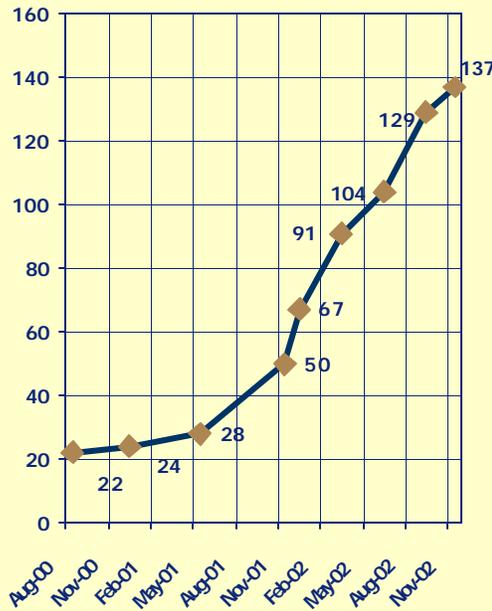
Mound
Olmsted County
Pequot Lakes
Rochester
West St. Paul
West Hennepin
Winona
Winona County

MJNO Participation Summary (Continued)

Agencies considering membership in MJNO: **49**

- Anoka
- Anoka County
- Benton County
- Blaine
- Boyd
- Brown County
- Centennial Lakes
- Columbia Heights
- Coon Rapids
- Cook County
- Crosby
- Danube
- Duluth Gang Strike Force
- Eau Claire, WI
- Fridley
- Fulda
- Goodview County
- Hopkins
- Hubbard County
- Hudson, WI
- Isanti County
- Kasson
- Lino Lakes
- Maplewood
- Marshall
- McLeod County
- MN – DPS – Drivers License Enf.
- Moorhead
- Moundsview
- New Brighton
- New Ulm
- North St. Paul
- Park Rapids
- Parkers Prairie
- Ramsey
- Ramsey County
- Renville
- Roseville
- Silver Lake
- Sleepy Eye
- St. Anthony PD
- St. Francis
- South Lake Minnetonka
- Spring Lake Park
- Stewart
- Superior, WI
- White Bear Lake
- Windom

Loading Agencies



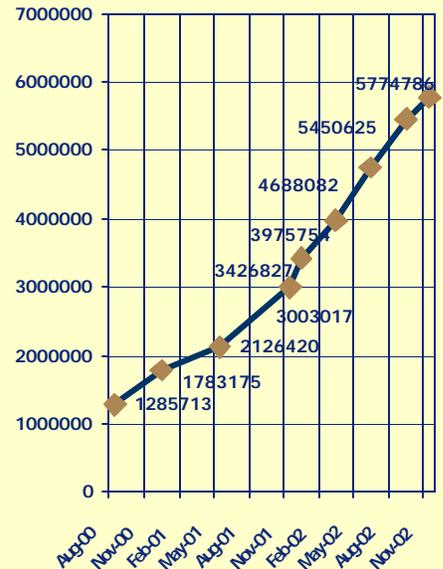
Registered Users



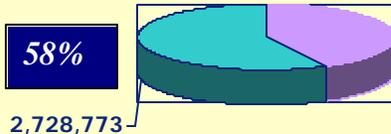
MJNO Web Hits



Shared Records on MJNO



Citizen Coverage in Minnesota



- Citizens served by non-participating agencies
- Citizens served by participating agencies

MCPA and InterTech Celebrate One Year of Success—Continued from Page 1

Specifically, InterTech provides several services that keep MJNO up and running:

- ★ **Physical Environment**—The MJNO server that contains the contact pointer data and the web interface is located at InterTech in a secured location. This is the same location that other mission critical state-wide systems are located. Some of these systems include the Automated Pawn System and the Department of Public Safety’s CJIS system (LEMS switch, POR, etc.).
- ★ **Server/Database Monitoring**—MJNO also receives the benefits of Network technicians and DBA’s who monitor the database and server to ensure that MJNO will be available consistently. All data is backed up daily on-site and weekly to tape, which is stored in a different location.
- ★ **Connection to the Internet**—InterTech provides MJNO with connectivity to the internet so that you can connect to MJNO.
- ★ **Site Development**—InterTech staff and their contractors are responsible for maintaining and improving the existing site. This includes the parsing and loading procedures that are utilized to load pointer data into the system. Most of the work on MJNO this past year has been on improving the back end processing of data. This includes the handling of multiple agencies in a single file. InterTech staff also recently released an improved query return that provides better information to agencies.
- ★ **User Passwords and Training**—InterTech staff also work closely with agencies to get users into the system and maintain their passwords. This is a major job when you consider over 2,000 new users were added to the system in the past year. InterTech also trains each agency on both the use of the system and how to add data to the system if they are a loading agency. Training is emphasized with each agency because a system can only benefit agencies if it is used.
- ★ **Adapter Builds**—InterTech works with partner agencies and vendors to build the links from an agency’s home records management system to MJNO. This is done by linking to your agency’s system and creating a file that MJNO understands. In order to get this just right, a great deal of work is necessary. In some cases, these adapters are created by individual agencies with the help of InterTech staff and shared with other agencies using the same RMS software suite. In other cases, the vendor constructs an extract adapter that agencies can purchase for a nominal fee. In both cases, InterTech staff is there to help to what ever degree is necessary.
- ★ **Implementation Management**—InterTech staff are there at every step of the implementation process to ensure a smooth transition to MJNO. This is accomplished by communicating to the agency exactly what is going to happen and when. InterTech ensures that nothing is forgotten and that everyone is clear at every step of the process. InterTech follows through and makes sure that all assigned tasks are completed on time. In most cases, agencies can be up and running on MJNO in a matter of days. Agencies generally can be contributing data within one to three months depending on whether an adapter to their system is available. Extremely motivated agencies have finished the entire process in as little as three weeks.
- ★ **Project Management/Professional Services**—InterTech also provides many other types of support that have made MJNO into what it is today. This includes product demonstrations and oversight of the system. InterTech also provides most of the written materials that are utilized in MJNO. This includes newsletters, agency listings, maps, brochures, training manuals and many other support documents. InterTech is also responsible for reporting and advising the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association and the MJNO Executive Committee on the status and maintenance of the system.

InterTech does many things for MJNO on behalf of the MCPA and the MJNO Executive Committee. However, there are many other groups that contribute to the overall success of MJNO. The MCPA provides MJNO many things including a stable governance structure. The MCPA is also the fiduciary agent for MJNO. Additionally, the MCPA has been instrumental in helping MJNO spread to agencies outside of the metropolitan area. The MJNO Executive Committee provides high-level guidance and sets the tone and direction for MJNO. The MJNO Executive Committee also participates in demonstrations and recruitment of new agencies. It is also important to credit the pioneers of MJNO that came from the local jurisdictions (Minneapolis, LOGIS, St. Paul and Hennepin County). These grass roots beginnings established many of the philosophies that make MJNO an important tool for local law enforcement. It is the support from the local agencies that have made MJNO more than just a technical possibility. That support has transformed MJNO into an important investigative tool for many agencies. The scale and scope of this inter-governmental cooperation for law enforcement is something that everyone associated with MJNO should be proud of and is one of the most comprehensive collaborative efforts in the nation.

The results of this collaboration have been very positive. Through hard work and determination, MJNO has grown significantly and is truly a statewide law enforcement enterprise. The measures of growth on the front page are a testament to that. More importantly, the fact that MJNO is an effective tool that improves investigations for agencies of all sizes across Minnesota is even more significant.

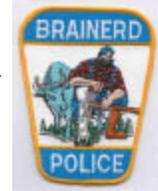
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Sartell PD



Sauk Center PD



Brainerd PD



Crow Wing County



Nisswa PD



Lake Shore PD



Austin PD



Mower County



Owatonna PD



Steele County



Olivia PD

Mankato improves quality of firearm permit background checks

Obtaining a firearms permit illegally in the city of Mankato just got more difficult this year. Mankato and the surrounding agencies in Blue Earth, Waseca, Faribault and Martin County joined MJNO at the beginning of 2002. These agencies already shared information within their shared records management system, but MJNO has allowed them to really expand the data that is available to them.

One area that has improved is the processing of firearm permits. Shay Kulla knows firsthand because she is responsible for processing permits in Mankato “ MJNO is a valuable tool for our Department and Law Enforcement as a whole. I use MJNO on every person applying for a permit to purchase firearms. I have found that people have lived in other cities/counties not listed on their applications. More importantly, I have found violations in other counties on at least two people that were serious enough to deny them from possessing, owning, or transporting firearms. One individual had an alcohol offense on their record that required them to complete alcohol treatment and failed to do so. The other person had been convicted of a domestic assault and failed to mention this on his application. These violations were not on their criminal histories and would not have been known by this Department had it not been for MJNO.”

Chief Jim Franklin of Mankato Public Safety echoes Shay’s sentiments, “Technology today affords each department the opportunity to share data with other agencies, yet maintaining local control over the data content. Officers can save hundreds of hours each year in checking a single data base for contacts with different police agencies across the state. It used to take hours or days of checking a name with each agency; now that check can be done in minutes. MJNO will only be successful if all agencies participate in the program. The bottom line is simply this, ‘Good information obtained and recorded at the time of the initial contact will result in quality information available to all officers at a later date’”.



Shay Kulla from Mankato PD uses MJNO to process handgun permit background checks more efficiently.

Unexpected link proves pivotal in Canby car theft

Some people perceive MJNO as a tool that is used in the Twin Cities Metropolitan area or only used by large police departments and sheriff’s offices. The truth of the matter is that MJNO has more non-metropolitan agencies than metro agencies. It is also becoming more clear that MJNO can be a very useful tool for any agency, no matter the size.

Canby, Minnesota provides an excellent example of how MJNO can be very effective in a smaller community. Canby has a population of 1,850 people and is eight miles east of the Minnesota/South Dakota border. Canby started using MJNO in June of this year and it is already paying dividends.

Chief Isaiah Keating, was investigating a stolen automobile in Canby. The victim in the incident had provided Chief Keating with sketchy information about a possible suspect in the case. During the course of the investigation he utilized MJNO to search for some suspect names. Little did Isaiah know that the answer would be 106 miles away at the Meeker County Sheriff’s Office. He searched MJNO for the name Scott Dean Engfer, a name supplied by the victim in this case. His diligence was instantly rewarded with a single match. This match was a victim contact in a suspicious persons incident at Meeker county, which resulted in a complete address and phone number in the city of Litchfield.

This unexpected shred of information matched up with an address of a suspected business he had been investigating. Linking the two contacts together provided a positive location and the Canby Police Department was able to apprehend the suspect, which lead to his arrest. The case has not gone to trial at this time. This is only one example of how MJNO has helped Canby. Recently, MJNO helped Canby Police Department track down some outstanding warrant cases. Again, MJNO led to information in other agencies to help locate the individuals and clear the outstanding warrants.

Chief Keating uses MJNO all of the and it is very helpful in many of the investigations that he pursues. According to Chief Keating, “MJNO is absolutely wonderful. Our department uses it all of the time. We have limited resources, and it save us a lot of time. In the past, name searches were tedious and often times incomplete. MJNO helps our department verify facts and is very easy and fast to use. “



Chief Isaiah Keating of Canby PD uses MJNO to help solve an auto theft case



Critical data from Meeker County helps Canby PD locate suspect

Administrators' Notes

MJNO updates the results summary interface

In 2002, the primary emphasis for this project has been on recruiting new members and also improving the file input process. In October, MJNO made the first user interface enhancement/upgrade since in a long time. The change was a direct result of input from our user community. All of the changes revolved around the content and the presentation of information received when a search is input into the screen.

The number of total results that can be retrieved when a user requests information was increased from 200 to 500. This was a direct request from several agencies and also necessary because of the growth of the total number of records in the system. In some cases there were exact matches on first, last and middle name that could not be retrieved because they exceeded the original 200 limit. The original limit was set to conserve bandwidth many years ago. The increase does not pose a problem today.

MJNO also added two additional field to the query results grid. The Role and Case Type field were added to help investigators and other users more easily sort records when large query results need to be analyzed. Again, this is a direct result from input from many users in the system. This should improve efficiency and enable users to select information from the query.

Previously, there were some questions to how MJNO sorts data that is returned from a query input by the user. In the past, all data was sorted by name only. After that all data appeared randomly. In the October release, the sorting of return results became more refined. Now all data is sorted first by name, than by role, than by date uploaded to the system. The logic behind this is to make it easier to get a general idea about a contact by grouping like involvement. This also helps users prioritize selection faster. One added bi-product is that it forces arrest type records to the top because of the alphabetical nature of the search.

MJNO makes progress in new regions

MJNO continued to make major headway with the expansion of membership. Two key areas of significant growth were in Central Minnesota (MCPA Region 5 and 7) and in southeastern Minnesota (Region 10). The total number of production agencies has grown to 137 with another 22 agencies in the process of joining MJNO.

In Central Minnesota fourteen new agencies went into production this fall. They came from two distinct sources. Ten agencies from Stearns County recently started using the VisionAir system. Almost immediately after that installation, the greater Stearns County agencies started contributing data to MJNO. Almost all of them have subsequently signed up as full members. The greater Stearns County agencies include Albany, Avon, Cold Spring, Kimball, Melrose, Paynesville, Richmond, St. Joseph, Sartell and Sauk Centre. St. Cloud, Stearns County and InterTech collaborated to get the adapter to VisionAir active in a very short timeframe from the time that these agencies went live. The new production agencies in this part of the state were centered in MCPA Region 5. Brainerd and Crow Wing County went live on their adapters and agreed to contribute data even though they will not start their memberships until the beginning of the year. They utilize the CIS NT system. In addition Nisswa and Lake Shore also went into production mode. These were the first agencies utilizing the ITI system to go into production. Lake Shore is the first agency in Cass County to join MJNO.

The other source of major growth for MJNO came in southeastern Minnesota (MCPA Region 10). This growth is a result of a very successful meeting that was held September 12, 2002. At that meeting, six key agencies attended and committed to MJNO later that month. In fact, one agency not in attendance also committed to MJNO. This group has moved into production very quickly with Austin, Mower County, Owatonna and Steele County already in production. Rochester, Olmsted County, Winona and Winona County are all expected to be in production by years end with Dodge County starting production shortly after the new year. These agencies join Faribault, Goodview, Northfield and Rice County. The momentum is certainly building in this part of the state.

Region 6 (West Central MN) also continued to growth this fall with the addition of Renville County, Fairfax, Franklin and Olivia. Region 6 has a very high level of coverage with twenty-three agencies in production and Bird Island nearing implementation.

St. James and Watonwan County also started contributing data to MJNO. These agencies already add to the strong base of agencies in Region 9 (South Central Minnesota/Mankato area).

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2002



Jackson PD



St. James PD



Watonwan
County



Worthington
PD



Nobles
County



Canby
PD

Agencies that have previously
loaded to MJNO, whose patch is
now available

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Norm continues, "Last week I had an assault case with a witness name that was about 19 years old. I queried MJNO and found 30 listings with the same name, and one person had a date of birth that fit the 19 year old that matched the witness I was looking for. I called this person and verified the fact that he was the witness I was looking for. The witness gave additional information so I could charge my suspect with Assault in the Fifth Degree, Disorderly Conduct and Theft."

Norm finds MJNO useful when testing the truthfulness of a suspect during an interview. "With MJNO the suspect often feels that I know everything about him. This probably makes suspects believe I have a direct pipeline to God!" The bottom line is that suspects become forthcoming and truthful about information when details can be confirmed and past background can be added to the interview process. "Suspects will lie to me, claiming that they have lived crime free lives until I tell them about their other law enforcement contacts with other jurisdictions."

"I started my career in law enforcement 25 years ago when all I had for records were 3X 5 cards. If the suspect wasn't on that card you had no way of getting information unless you were lucky enough to guess where the suspect may live or what law enforcement agency had contact with him. Not a day goes by that I don't use MJNO several times a day." On the particular day that Norm prepared the information on this article, he used MJNO to track down a runaway by looking up that persons name and friends names.

MJNO has proven to be a very effective tool for both investigations and for person location. As an investigation tool it is useful as a means to collect facts from other agencies. It is very helpful to confirm statements made in an interview and also to develop witnesses from other jurisdictions. As a person locator it expands your address base from just the information in your records management system to that of all of the member agencies. This is particularly powerful when a suspect lies about their address and that information gets entered into your RMS. It only takes one other contact in another agency that might have the correct address.

MJNO works for Chaska because it is part of their normal investigative business work flow. According to Investigator Pursinski, "We have three detectives and we use MJNO everyday. Additionally, our street officers use MJNO to add suspect information to their reports, which also saves detective time in doing the name search. We use it to do background checks for officer candidates and liquor license investigations. We use MJNO on all criminal cases to query what other crimes my suspect has committed and put this information into my reports to inform the courts and the county that this isn't a one time offender and is a person who has had other contacts with law enforcement.

"Often times, Criminal History checks don't always reveal correct total histories of persons who are arrested. MJNO DOES even if their criminal history doesn't show an arrest or conviction. I can then contact that agency or court to get the arrest and conviction that is vital to properly sentence the suspect."

Investigator Prusinski concludes, "I don't know how I did my job without MJNO. I wonder how many cases weren't solved because I couldn't get accurate and timely information that would have solved these cases."

MJNO improves communications between agencies significantly. By sharing information, investigators can easily exchange information with agencies and not have to guess which agencies should be contacted. It allows investigators to quickly find information about subjects. MJNO increases investigator efficiency and thoroughness. MJNO queries often lead to additional information from outside agencies who share the full reports upon request. MJNO enables investigators to do more with less time while gathering more complete information about the subject in question, resulting in more solved cases with the perpetrators receiving more appropriate sentences because all of that person's history is considered.

Chief Scott Knight has seen the difference that MJNO has made in his department. "The moment I became aware of MJNO I took the steps to get it up and running at our department", said Knight. "The very first day we were operating in fact, during a department training session, one of our detectives retrieved the information from MJNO needed to locate and arrest a sex offender we had been searching for", Knight said, adding "We had him in jail the next day, and we haven't looked back since. Our crime clearance rate and arrests continue to climb, as MJNO is used". Chief Knight also used MJNO as an important security tool with the numerous background checks that were run to facilitate the 2002 PGA Championship at Hazeltine, which was held in Chaska this summer.

Chief Knight is an ardent supporter of MJNO and is a member of the MJNO Executive Committee. He has also been a key contributor for MJNO in presentations to prospective agencies. Chief Knight also serves as the representative on the CriMNet Task Force which is appointed by the CriMNet Policy Group.



Detective Norm Pursinski
Chaska Police Department



Using MJNO on a daily basis has made a difference at Chaska Police Department.



Chief Scott Knight
Chaska Police Department

How To Join

- * Contact the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association.
- * Each agency must provide data in the defined format.
- * Initial data must be provided within 90 days of initial user password distribution.
- * Data must be added to the warehouse weekly, although greater frequency is preferred.
- * The participating agency is responsible for the quality of the data that they add to the warehouse.
- * The participating agency is responsible for its own extraction routine and any costs associated with getting data from their systems.
- * The participating agency is responsible for any connections required to access MJNO.
- * Each agency will appoint an administrator with the following responsibilities:
 - * Answers all user questions from within the agency.
 - * Trains staff within the agency.
 - * Responsible for the monitoring of appropriate internal use of MJNO within the agency.
 - * Submission of IP addresses and passwords to the MJNO site administrator.
- * Each agency will take all the necessary steps to ensure that all passwords and workstations are reasonably secured.
- * The annual maintenance cost will be based on a tier structure. Please call the MCPA for exact pricing for your agency.
- * Contact the MCPA for a trial password and information packet, which includes agency participation agreements.

Tier	Population	Employees	Annual Fee
1	75,001 or more	100 or more	\$2,500.00
2	50,001—75,000	76—99	\$2,000.00
3	25,001—50,000	50—75	\$1,500.00
4	15,001—25,000	25—49	\$1,000.00
5	5,001—15,000	11—24	500.00
6	Less than 5,000	10 or less	250.00

Note: If your agency falls into different tiers for population and employees use the lower numbered tier for your agency.



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Multiple Jurisdiction Network Organization Contact Information

If you are interested in being contacted by the MJNO regarding membership please fill out the information below and fax it to the Minnesota Chief's of Police Association at **651-457-5665** or toll free at **1-800-377-4058**

Agency Name

Agency Phone Number

Agency Address

Contact Person

Contact Person Phone

Contact Person E-Mail

Schedule of Events

12/11/2002—MJNO Presentation at MN IT Symposium, St. Paul, MN - 1:00 pm

12/18/2002—MJNO Committee Meeting at Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association (South St. Paul) - 1:30 pm

Note—MJNO Executive Committee Meetings have switched from monthly to bi-monthly.

November 2002

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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January 2003

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MJNO Would like to visit your region!

MJNO has conducted presentations at individual region meetings and also for vendor user group meetings. During these presentations MJNO is demonstrated and the process of membership is discussed. This includes strategies for building the adaptor between your system and MJNO. In general we will schedule one to two of these types of meetings per month. We still have openings for both November and January!

If you are interested contact Chris Londgren (651) 284-0281 or Dennis Delmont (651) 457-0677.



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MJNO is a cooperative effort to facilitate the sharing of investigative data among law enforcement agencies throughout the state of Minnesota. MJNO provides two essential functions.

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Bringing agencies together through data sharing.

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- 1. Provide a central repository for storing Public Safety Name data.*
- 2. Provide an interface for participating agencies to view that data.*

The service provided by MJNO is designed to improve data sharing across participant agencies whose systems are disparate and normally not linked. The service provides a name search to the agencies, but is not intended to replace direct contact between agencies. Instead, MJNO will help agencies know which other agencies to contact during the course of an investigation. Ultimately, it is the goal of MJNO to have participation throughout the state of Minnesota and surrounding areas.

MJNO Executive Committee of the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association

If you have any questions regarding MJNO, please contact the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association for more information.

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