

Lt. Sam McGhee

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As a Lieutenant with the Aurora, Colorado Police Department, Sam McGhee was appointed for two years as the Deputy Executive Director of the Colorado Information Analysis Center (CIAC) in March 2012. Prior to that, in 2011, he served in a one-year fellowship with the Interagency Threat Assessment and Coordination Group, (ITACG), located at the National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC) in Washington, D.C. Previously, he has held a number of senior leadership positions within the Aurora Police Department including: Emergency Services Coordinator, Media Relations Manager, Vice, Narcotics and Intelligence Commander and Sector Commander. Career highlights include: Planning for the Democratic National Convention Denver, 2008, Chair of the North Central Homeland Security Region (NCR) and Colorado's

Information Sharing Committee, board member of the NCR and one of the principal architects of the Rocky Mountain HIDTA.

In 2014, Lt. McGhee helped to create the first national strategy and in 2015, the associated implementation plan for the National Network of Fusion Centers. This three-year strategy will help guide fusion centers into the complex future of American information sharing. He is currently a member of the Committee for Homeland Security for the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and in 2015 authored an article for *The Police Chief Magazine* entitled: *Impacting the Evolution of Information Sharing in the Post-9/11 United States*.

Lt. McGhee has served on various committees in the Criminal Intelligence Coordinating Council (CICC), part of the Global Intelligence Working Group (GIWG). This national level post-9/11 effort is focused on improving the critical process of information sharing. The GIWG supported the development of the National Criminal Intelligence Sharing Plan (NCISP) which emphasized the significance of state, local and tribal law enforcement agencies as a key ingredient in the nation's intelligence process and the sharing of information among all levels of government.

Lt. McGhee has guest lectured at the Naval Postgraduate School, the FBI Academy and the CIA's Sherman Kent School. For over ten years Lt. McGhee served on the board of directors and led leadership retreats for the Leadership Aurora Program, a nine-month Aurora Chamber of Commerce leadership program.

Lt. McGhee has a Master's Degree in Homeland Security and Defense from the Center for Homeland Defense and Security at the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS), Monterey, CA. He holds a B.S. in Organizational Leadership from Colorado State University and is a graduate of the Executive Leaders and Fusion Center Leaders Programs at the Center for Homeland Defense and Security, NPS, Monterey, CA.