

**Omaha metro law enforcement receives training on alcohol laws, safety**

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Earlier this week, officers from more than a dozen agencies in Nebraska took part in a special training in Omaha.

According to Project Extra Mile, a local nonprofit, more than 1,000 people in Nebraska die from alcohol-related causes every year.

In the training held Wednesday and Thursday, law enforcement officers learned ways to handle problems surrounding drinking.

The program is designed to help police understand the law. This includes selling to minors and those who have already had enough to drink that night.

“Our communities are suffering from the crime that is alcohol-involved. So, it’s really about making the community safer and healthier,” Chris Wagner with Project Extra Mile said. “And that’s what this training is all about.”

The training also touched on dealing with bars that have repeat problems with alcohol sales.

The Nebraska Highway Safety Office and the National Liquor Law Enforcement Association also collaborated for the training.