



2026 OACP Fall Conference

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

September 23-25 | Ashland, Oregon

PERSPECTIVE CHANGES EVERYTHING

Registration & Attendance

Who should attend the Fall Conference?

The Fall Conference is designed for Oregon law enforcement leaders at every stage of leadership. Chiefs, command staff, seconds-in-command and emerging leaders are encouraged to attend.

This year's training is especially relevant for agencies navigating leadership changes, preparing future leaders and thinking intentionally about succession. Chiefs are encouraged to consider bringing members of their leadership team who may benefit from the training and conversations taking place in Ashland.

What is included with conference registration?

Conference registration includes access to all scheduled OACP training sessions and conference programming. Based on the current tentative schedule, registration also includes:

- Wednesday lunch & Welcome Reception
- Thursday breakfast buffet and lunch
- Friday breakfast buffet

Lodging is not included with conference registration and must be reserved separately.

What is the cancellation/refund policy?

Cancellations received by **September 15** will be eligible for a refund. After final meal counts and conference commitments have been submitted, OACP may no longer be able to issue refunds. If circumstances prevent you from attending, please contact the OACP office as soon as possible.

Can retired OACP members attend?

Yes! Retired OACP members are encouraged to register and attend the Fall Conference. The conference is also a great opportunity to reconnect with colleagues and remain involved with the association.

New Location: Ashland

Why did OACP choose Ashland for the 2026 Fall Conference?

As the Conference Committee worked to restructure the OACP's conference cycle, an additional conference was added to help transition to the new schedule. Ashland offered a great opportunity to make that conference feel a little different, pairing focused leadership training with the chance for members to gather in a part of Oregon we do not typically visit.

Is Ashland the permanent new location for the Fall Conference?

No. Ashland is a one-time location for the 2026 Fall Conference.

We are excited to take advantage of everything Southern Oregon and Ashland have to offer this year, but the Fall Conference has not permanently relocated to this venue.

What is there to do in Ashland outside of conference hours?

Plenty! Which is one of the reasons we hope attendees will consider bringing their families! Please click [HERE](#) for a more detailed list of activities in Ashland.

What airport is closest to Ashland?

The closest commercial airport is Rogue Valley International–Medford Airport (MFR) in Medford, approximately 15 miles north of Ashland. The airport offers nonstop service to several major connecting cities, making flying into Southern Oregon an option for attendees traveling longer distances.

Conference Schedule & Experience

What time should I plan to arrive on the first day?

The conference begins Wednesday, September 23 at 8:00 AM. If you're traveling from out of town, we recommend arriving on Tuesday, so you're rested and ready for the morning kickoff.

Those arriving Tuesday evening are invited to stop by Luna Café (from 7-9), located inside the Ashland hotel, for a casual opportunity to relax and connect with fellow members before the conference begins.

New members and new conference attendees (and interested veteran members) have an opportunity to meet members of the OACP Executive Board over coffee and pastries between 7 - 7:45am Wednesday morning in the Orion room.

What time will the conference conclude on the final day?

The conference is scheduled to conclude at approximately 12:00 p.m. on Friday, September 25.

What should I wear to the conference?

Business casual attire is appropriate for conference training and activities.

Will any sessions be recorded or available on demand?

All presentations will be available following the conference, with some speakers asking for limited time access. Sessions with limited access will be identified as they become available on the training center.

Lexipol Readiness Week

What is Lexipol Readiness Week?

Readiness Week is a new, nationwide public safety initiative hosted by Lexipol. Throughout the week, live educational sessions, videos, articles, assessments and downloadable resources focused on helping agencies strengthen readiness across policy, training, leadership, wellness and operations.

Is Readiness Week part of the OACP Fall Conference?

Readiness Week and the OACP Fall Conference are separate events, but the dates overlap and OACP is partnering with Lexipol to help make Readiness Week resources available to members.

Do I need to register separately for Readiness Week?

Yes. Registration for Lexipol Readiness Week is separate from registration for the OACP Fall Conference. Attendees who would like access to Readiness Week webinars and resources should register directly through Lexipol. [Register HERE](#)

Is there an additional cost to participate in Readiness Week?

No. Readiness Week is free and open to public safety and government professionals nationwide.

Can I participate in Readiness Week and still attend the OACP Fall Conference?

Absolutely. Readiness Week runs September 21–25, which overlaps with the OACP Fall Conference September 23–25. However, Lexipol has confirmed that Readiness Week sessions and content will be available on demand after the event, so attendees do not have to choose between an OACP conference session and Readiness Week content. We'll also be streaming one training session live on Tuesday morning.

Are Readiness Week sessions live, recorded or available on demand?

Both. Lexipol is offering live webinars throughout Readiness Week, and the sessions and other resources will also be available on demand after the event.

Where can I find the Readiness Week schedule and registration information?

The complete schedule, registration information, Readiness Assessment and available resources can be found on [HERE](#)

Why is OACP promoting Readiness Week to members?

The OACP's partnership with Lexipol gives members access to an additional week of free, practical public safety training and resources at the same time we are gathering in Ashland.

The topics also complement the goals of this year's Fall Conference: helping leaders prepare their organizations, strengthen leadership, turn training and policy into effective practice - ensuring agencies are ready for what comes next.

Rather than asking members to choose between the two opportunities, we'd like to see members take advantage of both - participate in the Fall Conference in Ashland, register for Readiness Week, and use the on-demand resources afterward to continue the learning back at their agencies.