

# Minnesota TRIAD



Seniors, Law Enforcement  
& Community Groups  
Working Together

"Keeping Seniors Safe"

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click on "Sheriffs in the Community"

Click on "TRIAD"

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# What is TRIAD?

Triad is a partnership of three organizations - [law enforcement](#), [senior citizens](#), and [community groups](#).

The sole purpose of Triad is to promote [senior safety](#) and to reduce the fear of crime that seniors often experience.

TRIAD has benefits for both seniors and law enforcement. Law Enforcement assists seniors by letting them get to know their local law enforcement and bringing them information to protect them and that they can share with others in their communities. Seniors assist law enforcement by being "the eyes and ears" out in the communities.

MN TRIAD can assist you in [organizing your Triad](#) program at the grass-roots level, provide ideas and [programs to implement](#) in your community, and [training materials](#) for your law enforcement, senior volunteers, and community groups.

## Background

Triad was first conceived at the genesis of the community policing movement in law enforcement in the 1980s.

In 1988, representatives from the American Association of Retired Persons (now AARP), the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), and the National Sheriffs' Association (NSA) came together to attempt to define a way to help keep seniors safe from crime. The Triad model emerged from that effort.

Triad is not an acronym; it simply represents a group of three. Triad's goal at its inception, as now, is to reduce crime against the elderly, and to reduce the fear of crime that seniors often experience.



## What is S.A.L.T.

S.A.L.T. Council (Seniors and Law Enforcement Together) and TRIAD are often comprised of the same members.

Some counties may have a S.A.L.T. Council, of which only a limited number may actually be involved with TRIAD.

Ideas from the elderly as well as their time and efforts as volunteers, are vital to TRIAD success. S.A.L.T. members, working with experienced, capable older volunteers, create effective solutions for many problems faced by the elderly.

## State Conferences

An annual State TRIAD Conference is held in the fall, generally the end of September. The various TRIAD counties take turns hosting the conference. Oftentimes, more than one county collaborate on hosting the conference.

One of the most important parts of the State Conference is the Best Practices session, which allows counties to share what they're doing to enhance senior safety in their counties and for other counties to learn new ideas.... networking and collaboration, what it's all about!!

Another important benefit of the State Conference is developing the relationships between senior citizens and law enforcement throughout the state. All TRIAD groups have a comfortableness and specialness to them; the State Conferences allow that feeling to be shared between the groups resulting in friendships and connections that are sustained all year long.



## MN Counties Active in TRIAD

Minnesota is fortunate to have 39 counties involved in TRIAD – close to half of the state! Our goal is to have TRIAD in all 87 counties in Minnesota to provide for safer communities for our seniors throughout the whole state.

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