



## **Kendall County Sheriff's Office Begins Participation in FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force**

The Kendall County Sheriff's Office has begun partnering with the FBI by assigning a deputy to work on the Joint Terrorism Task Force. This position focuses on Domestic Terrorism and will provide a strong working network between the Sheriff's Office and numerous federal, state and local law enforcement agencies. Sheriff Dwight Baird explained, "It has always been my goal to evaluate and take part in cost effective measures to ensure that the citizens of Kendall County are provided with the highest level of service from its law enforcement. Our partnership with the FBI increases our resources and effectiveness in a unique and exciting way. The Kendall County Sheriff's Office is proud to contribute to our country's national security on a local level."

The FBI describes JTTFs as "our nation's front line on terrorism: small cells of highly trained, locally based, passionately committed investigators, analysts, linguists, SWAT experts, and other specialists from dozens of U.S. law enforcement and intelligence agencies." JTTF investigators "chase down leads, gather evidence, make arrests, provide security for special events, conduct training, collect and share intelligence, and respond to threats and incidents at a moment's notice."