

TENNESSEE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Forensic Services Division

Violent Crime Response Team Standard Operating Procedures
Goals & Objectives



1.3. Goals

To provide assistance in crime scene investigations to law enforcement agencies throughout the State of Tennessee, on a 24-hour basis

To provide on-scene documentation and processing of crime scenes

To locate, document, collect, and preserve physical evidence that have evidentiary value related to the investigation

To provide courtroom testimony at criminal proceedings as a result of any assistance involving crime scene investigation, scene documentation, evidence collection, and specialized activities performed

1.3.1. Objectives

To establish procedures for participation of a VCRT member

To establish procedures in processing requests for the VCRT

To establish procedures for the documentation, processing, and collection of evidence from a crime scene

To establish procedures for the transfer of evidence recovered from crime scenes to the laboratory.

To establish procedures for personal safety while processing crime scenes

To establish quality assurance policies specific to processing a crime scene