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“The International Justice and Public Safety Network”

Founded in 1966



Governed and owned
by the States

2.1 Billion
Transactions
in 2018

“Since 1966, Nlets has provided our nation’s law enforcement and justice community with a reliable and secure data network. Each year, millions of messages traverse this network, allowing police officers from across the nation to communicate and connect with each other, sharing criminal records, offender history, warrants, driver and vehicle information, all in a matter of seconds. Nlets is the premier national law enforcement data network that all of us depend on 24x7x365.”

-Steve Correll, Nlets Executive Director

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Who governs Nlets?

Nlets is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization governed and owned by the states. Every state appoints a state representative to Nlets. State representatives are appointed by lead law enforcement agencies around the country. The states are divided into eight regions. Each region elects a Chairperson to represent the region on the Nlets Board of Directors.

What is the vision of Nlets?

To continue to be the premier provider of the network, system, and services that will support and encourage a totally standardized, integrated, international justice system.

Where is Nlets located?

Nlets has their headquarters and computer systems in Phoenix, Arizona and has a hot disaster recovery site in Louisville, Kentucky.

What kind of information does Nlets share with law enforcement?

Nlets has over 150 message types. These messages include criminal history, images, motor vehicle registration, driver license information, Interpol queries, alerts (Amber/BOLO), Canadian registration, driver license, and many more critical law enforcement queries.

Who uses Nlets?

All state, local, and federal agencies with a law enforcement component are connected to the Nlets network. Over 900,000 mobile, handheld, and desktop devices in the U.S. and Canada are connected to the Nlets network. There are 45,000 agencies and over 1.2 million users using Nlets services.

How many transactions does Nlets handle a year?

In 2018, more than 2.1 billion transactions were handled by the Nlets network.

What is the history of Nlets?

In the mid-60s representatives from the states agreed on the development of a nationwide interstate communications system. On May 2, 1966 LETS (Law Enforcement Telecommunications System) was installed in Phoenix, AZ. Nlets has existed for more than 50 years to connect all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Virgin Island, Guam, and Canada along with 24 federal agencies and various associate members for the secure exchange of criminal justice data necessary to complete their law enforcement, justice, and public safety mission.