

Press Release

SecurLinx Completes Phase II Biometric Platform for AmberView

SecurLinx Corporation has delivered a biometric identification platform for Phase II of the AmberView Program designed to aid in the recovery of missing children. The system enables the state Amber Alert Coordinator to upload an image of a missing child as part of an alert. SecurLinx adds biometric middleware to allow mobile users the ability to perform facial recognition identification in real time. The capabilities of Phase II will be tested in the field by eight (8) law enforcement agencies across West Virginia.

Morgantown, WV (PRWeb) January 22, 2007 -- SecurLinx Corporation of Morgantown, WV announced today that they have delivered a biometric identification platform to the West Virginia High Technology Foundation for Phase II of the AmberView Program designed to aid in the recovery of missing children. The system enables the state Amber Alert Coordinator to upload an image of a missing child as part of disseminating other critical information in the case of a suspected abduction. AmberView adds 2D and 3D images of the missing child to the information available in an Amber Alert event and transmits that data to all participating individuals and agencies including those using mobile phones. The capabilities of Phase II will be tested in the field by eight (8) law enforcement agencies across West Virginia.

“A child is reported missing every 40 seconds in the U.S.” according to AmberView Program Manager Robert Chico. “Nine are murdered each month, most within three hours.” “At the same time,” Chico said, “existing Amber Alert child recovery networks, mostly organized at the state level, have no access to facial images of children. Three hours can come and go before a photograph from the parents is available to law enforcement.”

SecurLinx delivered biometric middleware to transmit photos taken on mobile phones and PDA's equipped with built-in cameras to a facial recognition system for comparison to images of missing children. The results are returned to the device initiating the inquiry. “In these types of situations, it is not unusual for the abductor to alter the appearance of the child.” stated Barry Hodge, CEO of SecurLinx. “This capability is one more tool at the officer’s disposal to aid in the real time identification of a missing child.”