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*The Biometric Interoperability Program promotes biometric-based information sharing between the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) Integrated Automated Fingerprint Identification System (IAFIS) and other federal and international biometric systems. It also provides mission-critical information to law enforcement, homeland security, and national defense organizations.*



The FBI Biometric Interoperability Program fosters relevant data exchanges, facilitates faster IAFIS responses, and assists partners to solve crimes, protect borders, and identify terrorists.

### DIRECT IAFIS ACCESS

Providing robust and efficient transaction processing to support business needs

The Biometric Interoperability Program is pursuing a range of initiatives to support its local, state, federal, and international partners.

- Expanded Repositories – Access to expanded information repositories for ten print and latent searches
- Key Improvements – Faster response time, enhanced IAFIS system availability, and increased transaction volume
- Linkage of Criminal and Immigration History Information – Subject history information is flagged for exchange
- Rapback to Department of Homeland Security – Notification of criminal history information when a U.S. benefit has been granted
- Additional Photo Sources – Provides more photos to bolster identification
- More automated latent searches between Automated Biometric Identification System (IDENT) and IAFIS

### BIOMETRIC-BASED INFORMATION EXCHANGE

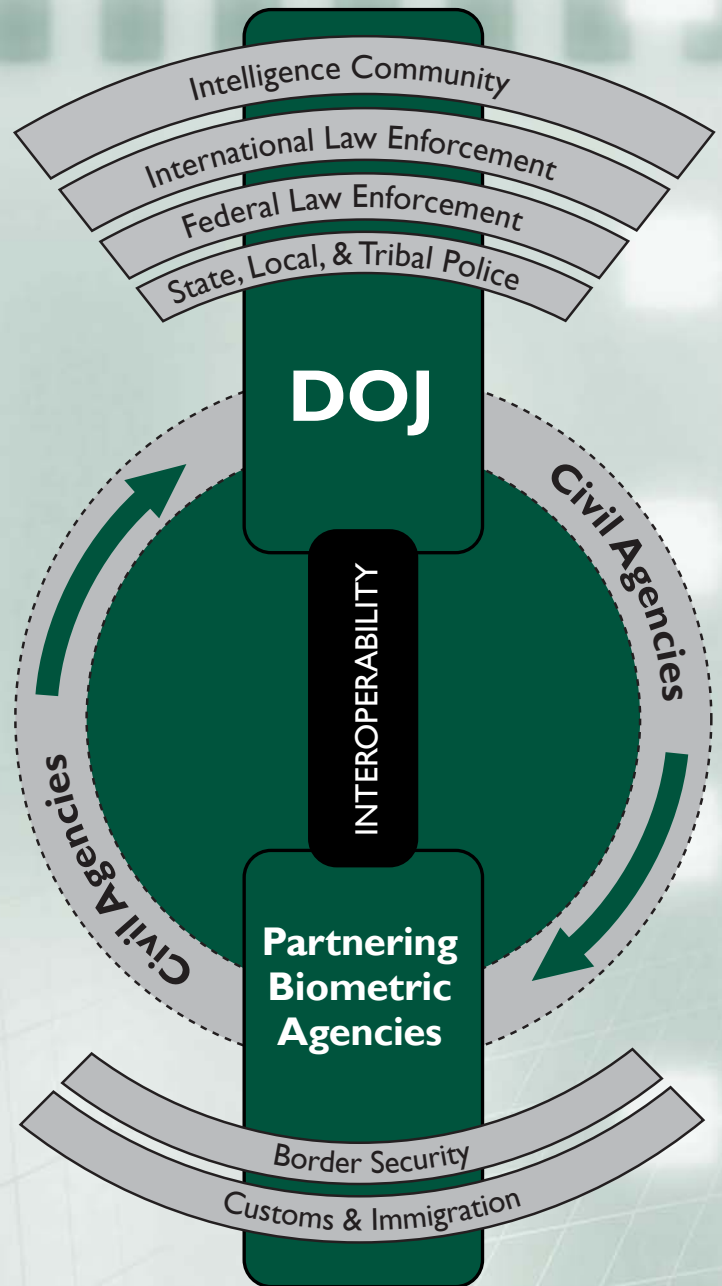
Providing accurate and timely information

The FBI exchanges critical data, including Wanted Persons and Known or Suspected Terrorist (KST) information, with its local, state, federal, and international partners. By combining the certainty of biometrics with increased information sharing among agencies, the FBI is connecting the dots and increasing the chances of solving crimes, protecting our borders, and identifying terrorists.

Biometric-based information exchange ensures the data shared is:

- Complete
- Accurate
- Timely
- Relevant
- Responsive and alerts partners when their subjects are encountered

The Department of Justice (DOJ) and partnering biometric agencies are providing the foundation for the initial Biometric Interoperability Program initiatives.



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