

## **Lt. Angela Banta**

### *Biography*

Angela Banta has worked in law enforcement for 27 years and is currently a lieutenant with the [East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office](#). Angela was assigned to the Detectives Bureau for approximately 14 years. During this time, she investigated many different crimes including homicides, sexual assaults, and juvenile sex crimes. Currently employed as the supervisor of the Internet Crimes Against Children Unit for the Sheriff's Office, Angela supervises a group of detectives that investigate complaints such as sexting, computer aided solicitation of minors, and the possession and distribution of child pornography. She is also responsible for investigating all human trafficking complaints the Sheriff's Office receives. She is a Peace Officer Standards and Training certified Instructor and teaches a block of training in the Capital Area Regional Training Academy (CARTA) on human trafficking. This training is for first responding law enforcement.

Angela is a member of the [FBI's Innocence Lost Task Force](#) in the Middle District of Louisiana. This task force handles human trafficking investigations concentrating on minors as well as child exploitation investigations. She is also a task force member of the Internet Crimes Against Children Unit with the Louisiana Attorney General's Office in Baton Rouge and is partnered with the Special Victims Unit (SVU) at Louisiana State Police. The SVU concentrates on child exploitation investigations as well as human trafficking throughout the state of Louisiana.