

Annotated Bibliography

Primary sources :

Brownie, J. R. “*AMBER alert information.*” NM Department of Public Safety. Santa Fe, NM 23, December. 2022

<https://www.dps.nm.gov/law-enforcement-records-bureau/missing-persons-alerts/amber-alert-information/>

Information about law officials with their participation in the AMBER Alert system and on how they handle the procedures when an alert is released. Officers and 911 operators also follow the criteria of the AMBER Alert system which should meet the standards in order for it to be released to the public and investigators.

Hinojosa, X. “*17 years of amber alerts result in more than 600 rescued children.*” Office of Public Affairs. U.S Department of Justice, Wilmington, NC. 7, April.2017

<https://www.justice.gov/archives/opa/blog/17-years-amber-alerts-result-more-600-re>

The interview gives us some details and background information of the System but also officials who are asked about the AMBER Alert system. When asked they responded with details of the AMBER Alert system but would be helpful for audience members to understand what is going in it.

Harp, C. “*AMBER alert field guide for law enforcement officers.*” AMBER Alert Field Guide for Law Enforcement Officers, U.S Department Of Justice, May.2019

<https://ojjdp.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh176/files/pubs/252795.pdf>

The U.S Department of Justice has an AMBER Alert Field guide for police officers. It explains how police officials handle reports of abducted children and also helps law enforcement officers to be conscious of how to avoid critical situations in child abduction cases. The use of CART (Child Abduction Response Team), volunteers, role of the PIO(Public Information Officers), on the scene response and investigation.

DeLaune, M. “*Spurring community action to find missing children.*” International Centre for Missing & Exploited Children. 10, August.2023
<https://www.icmec.org/global-missing-childrens-center/child-alerts/>

The website explains how before we could send out the AMBER Alert we used television and radio broadcasting to share information so the community could help find a child. There are other systems similar to the AMBER Alert in different places around the world.

Ferguson, B. “*Child abduction murder research.*” Child Abduction Murder Research. Washington State.2006 <https://www.atg.wa.gov/child-abduction-murder-research>

The governmental site tells the dire importance of finding abducted and missing children. Information includes a study from 1993 of the likelihood of a child being murdered within three hours after being abducted. This really highlights how groundbreaking the Amber Alert is.

“*National Amber Alert Coordinator.*” AMBER Alert. 20, October.2019
<https://amberalert.ojp.gov/es/node/286>

The National AMBER Alert coordinator has a list of important responsibilities/tasks that are important and crucial to saving a child's life. Marking 25 years of AMBER Alerts : National system plays a key role in recovering abducted children.

Ojjdp News. “*Marking 25 years of AMBER Alerts: National System plays a key role in recovering abducted children.*” Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. 18, February.2021
<https://ojjdp.ojp.gov/newsletter/ojjdp-news-glance-januaryfebruary-2021/top-story-marking-25-years-amber-alerts-national-system-plays-key-role-recovering-abducted-children>

Office of juvenile justice and delinquency prevention(OJJDP) is a government organization who have sited and partnered up with many other organizations to prevent child abduction.

National Center for Missing & Exploited Children. “*Guidelines for issuing Amber Alerts.*”AMBER Alert . <https://amberalert.ojp.gov/about/guidelines-for-issuing-alerts>

This website is about the Guidelines for issuing AMBER Alerts but also explains what information you need in order for an AMBER Alert to be sent out as well as go through a process of if this case is serious enough to be sent out? Is the child in

immediate danger? They can not send these alerts out without looking into it and having the correct criteria.

“*US Department of Justice Recommended AMBER Alert Criteria.*” Washington DC. 2005 <https://permanent.fdlp.gov/>

This pamphlet highlights the National recommendations to issue an Amber Alert which describes how important it is to use these requirements. These include age, physical description of both child and abductor, reason to believe the child is in danger and more.

“*National Center for Missing & Exploited Children.*” AMBER-ALERT REPORT.

National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. 2006

https://amberalert.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh201/files/media/document/06_amber_report.pdf

A pdf report on the reports in 2006, where they show the statistics in that year and how effective the AMBER Alert system was in that year. Showing ranges to reports and also pie charts on the AMBER Alert system was effective and was helping to find children who have been reported missing and finding them unharmed. They also show the statistics in other countries such as Mexico and how it was also effective in other countries, not only the U.S.

Secondary Sources

Gordon, J. “*Technologically advanced AMBER alert system.*” Minnesota Public Radio. 21, October. 2003

<https://archive.mpr.org/stories/2003/10/21/technologically-advanced-amber-alert-system>

As the AMBER Alert system was signed into law, there were already plans and ideas to expand the alert use. This audio recording helped our research in understanding the early set plans and hopeful ideas for the Amber Alert.

Connan, P. “*Missing children; kidnapping; children and strangers; criminal investigation.*” Wisconsin Briefs.2002

<http://lrbdigital.legis.wisconsin.gov/digital/collection/p16831coll2/id/1093/rec/>

Elements of the AMBER Alert in a Wisconsin Briefs. Where this would help us understand the plans are written in it but also mention the different planings among other programs that handle child abduction and missing children. In the involvement of local agencies, news media, private organizations, and local police.

Mojica, C. "Ask a journalist: What is an amber alert, and how do they work?." WHQR. 23, October. 2023

<https://www.whqr.org/local/2023-10-23/ask-a-journalist-what-is-an-amber-alert-and-how-do-they-work>

An interview of Ben Schachtman (WHQR's News Director) with Camille Mojica, a journalist, asks questions about the AMBER Alert system. In the interview, some information has been said that is helpful for listeners to understand how it works and how the system operates. He interviews a journalist by the name of Camille, asking her questions where they bring in a law enforcement official in the interview where he could confirm about the Alert system with the EAS (Emergency Alert System.)

Kraut, M. "Amber alerts." Child Crime Prevention & Safety Center. Silicon Valley, Cali. 8, August 2018. <https://childsafety.losangelescriminallawyer.pro/amber-alerts.html>

In the website of the Child Crime Prevention and Safety Center where they explain why the AMBER Alert is used and what is its purpose but also how effective the Alert system has been. The child should be in critical danger for his/her life where they could be endangered with their life. There should be sufficient information about the abductor's profile, what car they are driving, what time has the child been abducted etc.

Gimbel, A. "Remembering Amber Hagerman, 27 years later." CBS News. 13, January. 2023

<https://www.cbsnews.com/texas/news/remembering-amber-hagerman-27-years-later/>

Amber Hagerman, the little girl who inspired the AMBER Alert system to help abducted or missing children all over the world. Who would cause such a great impact to everyone where the article talks about it too but presents her picture in it, to use and show people where did this name come from and who was she and how did such a small impact to a family helps dozens of children now with giving them a second chance in life.

Ta, L. "The Missing Kids Milk Carton campaign started in Iowa." The Des Moines Register. 5, September. 2017

<https://www.desmoinesregister.com/story/news/crime-and-courts/2017/09/04/missing-kids-milk-carton-campaign-outcome/627165001/>

The idea of helping find missing kids fast with putting an image of missing children on a milk carton. The idea emerged in Iowa but then was discontinued afterwards due to it not being very effective in the recovery of abducted and missing children. At the time it would also make sense to put images on milk cartons because milk would be stored in milk cartons so whenever anyone would purchase one they would have to see the image on it.

Limited, A. "Austin Texas USA, 1986: Poster advertising a missing teenager. 2021 update, the woman is still alive and living in Texas." Bob Daemmrich stock photo. 2021 <https://www.alamy.com/austin-texas-usa-1986-poster-advertising-a-missing-teenager-2021-update-the-woman-is-still-alive-and-living-in-texas-bob-daemmrich-image451530422.html>

A 1986 poster of a 14 year old teen is an example of another way AMBER Alerts were before technology had advanced more over the years and till now. Where she was found and was given another chance in life to live out her life till this day still and live a happy life. In the poster they would put information about the child to identify them by their facial features and also clothes the last time they had used since they have been seen.

"CBS Missing Child PSA: Juanita Estevez, 1985. YouTube." 24, January. 2016 <https://youtu.be/tDtQDlVpx8?si=DoYrPuOdg3CaV-Dm>

Missing broadcast on tv screens where they show missing children to the public and also publicly announcing it too. Giving brief descriptions of children and their image so that the public would be on the lookout to encounter the missing or abducted children.

YouTube. "Bush meets family of kidnapped girl who sparked Nationwide Alert System." YouTube. 30, July. 2015 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Dmrc6Uyg2A>

The former president of the united states of america met the parents of Amber Hagerman who's abduction shook the world and the idea of the AMBER Alert emerged from it. The president signed the PROTECT ACT with Amber's parents

there to witness it too. Children would be protected from predators and other harm from them with the act that was signed by him.

Kowalick, C. "Texas leads nation in Amber Alerts issued. Times Record News." 3, July. 2019

<https://www.timesrecordnews.com/story/news/local/2019/07/03/texas-leads-nation-amber-alerts-issued/1632646001/>

The National Center for Missing and Exploited children had done a study with most of the AMBER Alerts coming mostly from Texas. It also is coming not only in Texas but in Ohio and California where there in the image they show not much alerts come from other parts of the states in America.

Pence, M. "Senator Orrin Hatch and Vice President Mike Pence." Facebook. 02, January. 2018

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/zkaScpjSgAaXjyiP/?mibextid=oFDknk>

An image of the vice president and Senator shaking hands together are both important for the PROTECT ACT where they were involved to end the exploitation of children. Where it made it into congress and also was introduced then passed by senate etc.. At the very end of it was shown to the former President Bush for it to be signed into law lastly.

DeLong, W. "How a nine-year-old's horrifying kidnapping and murder inspired the AMBER Alert System." All That's Interesting. 25, May. 2023

<https://allthatsinteresting.com/amber-hagerman>

In the website, they list the horrific state they had found Amber and what conditions she was found in. It was very depressing reading how she was found and we would understand why the AMBER Alert system was created after her murder. This would give us why they had made the system in order to prevent a tragedy like Amber's.

Rasmussen, J. "Janell Rasmussen Profile." LinkedIn.

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/janell-rasmussen-02194176>

Janell Rasmussen, the national AMBER Alert Administrator who helped us answer our questions that we need in order to understand our choice of topic. We asked questions that related to our topic and helped us understand more about the AMBER Alert system and their Coordinates.

Amber alerts largely ineffective, study shows - pacific standard. (n.d.).

<https://psmag.com/social-justice/amber-alerts-largely-ineffective-study-shows-4792>

In this website, it helps us look at another point of view of how others look or feel about the alert. We also use some words and we quote them in our own site which is in the significance.