

# NIEM IMPACT ON THE MISSING

The AMBER Alerts  
Information Exchange  
Packet Document

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A child goes missing every 40 SECONDS in the U.S., over 2,100 per day.

That translates to 800,000 kids missing each year—and another 500,000 go unreported.

44% of abducted and murdered children are found dead in less than an hour after abduction.

**On January 13, 1996,  
Amber Hagerman, 9, was  
abducted near her home  
in Arlington, Texas.**

Neighbors and law enforcement worked together night and day to find Amber. They even had a lead on the abductor's vehicle.

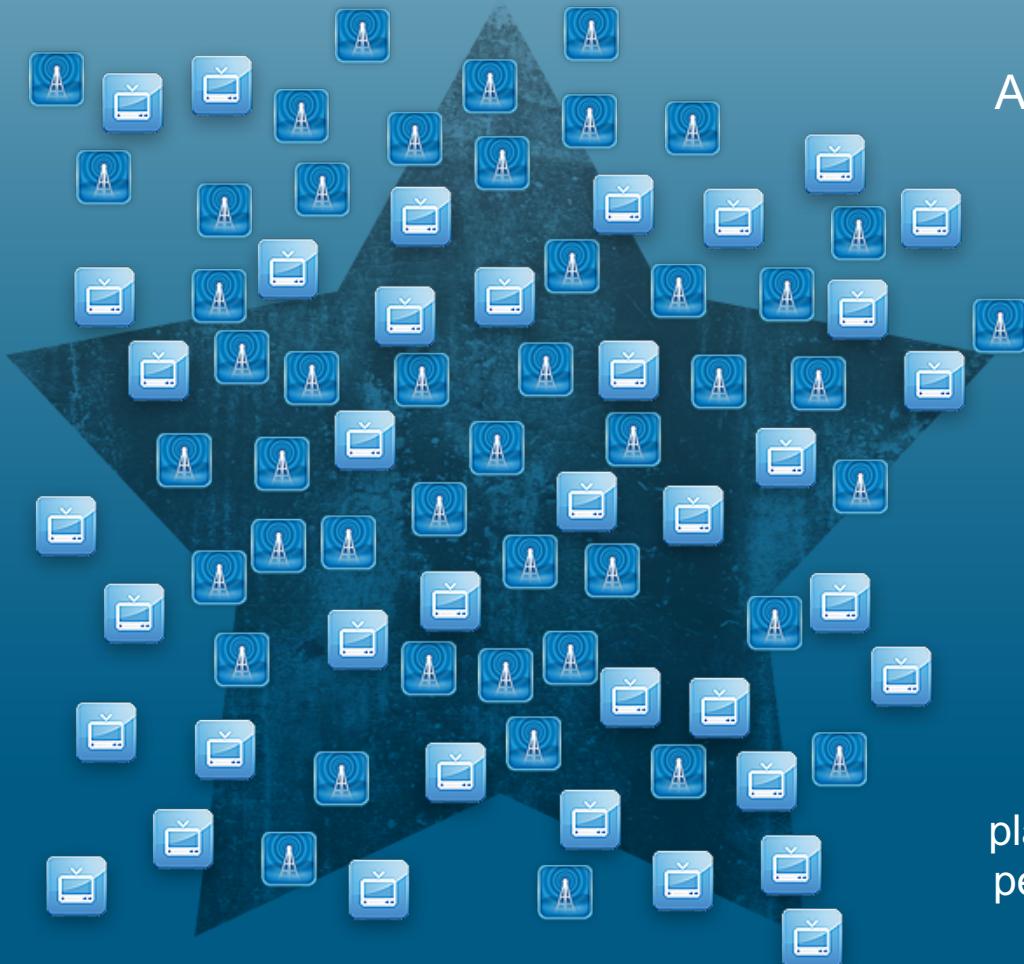
**Four days later and four miles away,  
she was found dead.**



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NATIONAL INFORMATION EXCHANGE MODEL

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Within a **four mile radius** of Amber's abduction, there were:

**38** TV stations

**34** FM stations

**12** AM stations

If **Amber Alerts** had been in place when Amber was abducted, perhaps the outcome would have been different.

“What if we could send out child abduction alerts  
the same way we send out weather or traffic alerts?”

How can you CONNECT  
communities, locally and nationally,  
to save *children's lives*?

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**Before NIEM**, there was no national standard for **connecting communities**, locally or nationally, to exchange this kind of information.

Now, NIEM's AMBER Alert Information Exchange Package (IEPD) improves the sharing of Amber Alerts between jurisdictions and across multiple communications networks and technologies.



# 538

total successful recoveries directly related to Amber Alerts

**NIEM Connects 120 Amber Alert  
plans nationwide, with the intent to reach:**

**18,000 Law Enforcement**

**1,500 Television Stations**

**10,322 Radio Stations**

**280,958,440 Cell Phone Users**