December 31, 2019

The Honorable Michael L. Parson
Governor
State Capitol, Room 216
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Governor Parson:

On behalf of the Missouri Homeland Security Advisory Council (HSAC), I am pleased to present to you the 2019 Annual Report on Missouri Homeland Security. This report highlights 2019’s accomplishments and summarizes the homeland security grant funding activities and is submitted pursuant to Executive Order 06-09.

In the past year, the State of Missouri has faced a variety of hazardous situations including severe weather, school safety issues and the continuing threat of terrorism and home-grown violent extremism. Coordinated efforts between state, local and federal partners effectively responded with resources and personnel to provide the necessary support to Missourians impacted by these issues.

This report provides an overview of new and continuing efforts the HSAC, state agencies, federal and local partners and private entities seek to maintain and improve. These efforts affect homeland security, public health and emergency management within the State of Missouri. HSAC member agencies remain dedicated to finding the most effective solutions to safeguard Missourians and preserve homeland security throughout Missouri.

Sincerely,

Sandra K. Karsten
Homeland Security Advisor
Director, Department of Public Safety

Highway Patrol • National Guard • State Emergency Management Agency • Fire Safety
Office of Homeland Security • Alcohol & Tobacco Control • Capitol Police • Gaming Commission • Veterans Commission
MISSOURI HOMELAND SECURITY OVERVIEW

Missouri was the first state in the nation to create an Office of Homeland Security in response to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. As part of the State of Missouri’s ongoing effort to create a safe and secure environment for its citizens and visitors, the Missouri Office of Homeland Security (OHS) was established on September 26, 2001.

Executive Order 05-20 was signed on July 21, 2005, moving OHS to the Missouri Department of Public Safety (DPS). In the same executive order, the Homeland Security Advisory Council (HSAC) was established. The HSAC Chair is the Director of DPS and the Vice Chair is the Homeland Security Director, who leads OHS. The mission of the HSAC is to ensure local and state homeland security plans regarding terrorism and disaster preparedness are executed and coordinated efficiently to better protect Missourians.

Overall responsibility for Missouri’s Homeland Security program falls under the Governor’s Homeland Security Advisor, who is the Director of DPS. The Office of Homeland Security coordinates local, state, federal, private sector and citizen activities as they relate to homeland security and emergency preparedness efforts. OHS utilizes the HSAC, the Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committees (RHSOCs) and individual OHS initiatives to ensure a statewide focus and coordination of resources for homeland security. The HSAC and the RHSOCs work with OHS to bring engagement and ownership of Missouri’s homeland security program to the local level. OHS coordinates federal homeland security grant funding to enhance Missouri’s ability to prevent, protect, mitigate, respond and recover from potential attacks and other hazards.

REGIONALIZATION PLAN

Missouri’s “regionalization of homeland security” plan is focused on establishing a common sense, logical governance structure and process to facilitate local, community-level engagement in not only grant funding priorities and strategies, but other homeland security related decisions. The RHSOC geographic boundaries are based on the established troop boundaries of the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

The RHSOC’s are an integral part of the Missouri Homeland Security Regionalization Program. Under this program, the state is divided into 10 homeland security regions and one Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI).

Core disciplines at the local/county level have been identified as voting participants in these regional committees. While only one individual from each discipline in each specific region, will hold a voting seat on the committee, it is mandated they represent all segments of their core discipline within their region, including both local and county interests. This is accomplished through the establishment of discipline specific working groups within each geographic region. The RHSOCs meet quarterly, with additional meetings scheduled as needed to deal with specific issues. Each RHSOC has a Regional Planning Commission (RPC) or Council of Government (COG) responsible for the administration and fiscal operations of its homeland security grant program.

The following are the core disciplines that represent the RHSOC membership:

- Emergency Management Director
- Law Enforcement
- Sheriff
- County Health
- City or County Public Works
- County Commissioner
- Emergency Medical Service
- Volunteer Group Representation
- Police Chief
- Fire Chief
- Homeland Security Regional Response System
- Mayor or City Administrator
- Private Industry/Public Utility
- 911
- Education
The Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) plays an important role in the implementation of the National Preparedness System by supporting the building, sustainment and delivery of core capabilities essential to achieving the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient nation.

The objective of the HSGP is to provide funding to eligible entities to support efforts to prevent terrorism and other catastrophic events and to prepare for the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk to the security of Missouri and the United States. HSGP supports the implementation of risk driven, capabilities-based approaches to address capability targets set in St. Louis Urban Area, and Missouri, Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessments (THIRA). The capability targets are established during the THIRA process, and assessed in the Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR) and align to planning, organization, equipment, training, and exercise needs to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism and other catastrophic events.

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State Homeland Security Program (SHSP)

The SHSP supports state, and local preparedness activities that address high-priority preparedness gaps across all core capabilities that support terrorism preparedness through the Regionalization and law enforcement terrorism prevention activities.
Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities (LETPA)

The State Homeland Security Program requires 25 percent of SHSP funds be allocated for law enforcement terrorism prevention activities (LETPA). The LETPA initiative must facilitate effective state and local law enforcement and investigative response to all threats or acts of terrorism within Missouri. Initiatives must sustain and enhance existing initiatives that provide a structure for systematic, coordinated, unified, timely and effective state law enforcement and investigative planning and response.

Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)

The UASI Program assists high-threat, high-density Urban Areas in efforts to build, sustain, and deliver the capabilities necessary to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism.

Core Capability Crosswalk

The charts shown below depict State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) funding broken out by the core capabilities as identified in the National Preparedness Goal for grant years 2017, 2018 and 2019.

![FY17 SHSP Funding Allocated by Core Capability Chart](chart.png)
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- Jasper County Comm Vehicle
- Greene County Sheriff Comm Vehicle Sustainment
- Springfield FD Hazmat Monitor Sustainment
- Springfield FD Hazmat Monitor Replacement
- Joplin PD SWAT SBCA
- Springfield FD Hazmat Equipment Sustainment
- Greene County Comm Support Vehicle
- Taney County FPD Structural Collapse
- Greene County EMA WebEOC Program
- Hazmat Monitor Replacement

Region E
- Jackson EMA HSRT Team
- Cape Girardeau CERT
- Sikeston HSRT
- Cape Girardeau HSRT
- Cape Girardeau Comm Vehicle

Region F
- Audrain County EMA Generator Load Testing
- Audrain County EMA Portable Radios
- Boone County EMA Generator Load Testing
- Callaway County Generator Load Testing
- Callaway County EMA Portable Radios
- Camden County Generator Load Testing
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- West Plains FD HSRRS
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- Howell-Oregon Local Planning District Comm Vehicle
- Howell County RFD Gas Monitor
- Moody VFD Mobile Radios
- Mountain Grove PD Mobile Radios
- Texas County memorial Hospital Mobile Radios
Region H

- Caldwell County COAD/CERT
- Buchanan County EMA Comm Vehicle
- NTA Ambulance Mobile Radios
- Buchanan County EMA Badging
- NTA Ambulance District MOSWIN Portable Radio Cache

Region I

- Rolla Command and Post Vehicle
- Rolla All Hazard Team
- Rolla Comm Vehicle
- Crocker PD In Car Repeaters
- Lenox Rural FD Mobile Radios
- Planning and Training
- Waynesville PD Mobile Radios

Statewide Projects

- SEMA Training and Exercise
- Cyber Security Analyst

LETPA

- Sikeston DPS Mobile Command Vehicle
- Sikeston DPS Regional Bomb Squad Bomb Suit
- MSHP Missouri Information Analysis Center Sustainment
- Missouri Police Chiefs Charitable Organization Mobile Data Terminals, and Rapid ID’s
- Missouri Interoperability Center Sustainment
- MSHP Bomb Squad Robot Sustainment
- Kansas City Regional Fusion Center Sustainment
- MO DPS Division of Fire Safety Personal Protective Equipment
- MO DPS Capitol Police Personal Protective Equipment
- Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activity Training
- Cyber Security Analyst

UASI

- St. Louis Urban Area Fusion Center
- Regional Cyber Security Coordination
- Regional Planning and Collaboration
- Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attach Phase II
- Law Enforcement Tactical & Bomb Teams
- Fire Special Teams Support
- Mass Fatality, EMS, Public Health & Medical Response
- Regional Training & Exercise Program
Homeland Security Advisory Council Agency Highlights

**American Red Cross**

The American Red Cross (ARC) participated in disaster response and preparedness incidents, predominantly in response to the spring flooding and tornadoes. The organization also took part in training and exercises and various conferences. Additional activities include the Supportive Community Initiative, the Sound the Alarm Mission Campaign - 2020, the Midwest flooding recovery efforts, and the Emergency Responder Hotline.

**Missouri Department of Agriculture (MDA)**

The Missouri Department of Agriculture (MDA) has been working and planning for a Missouri response to African Swine-Fever, if it were to occur in the United States. MDA met with the Missouri Office of Homeland Security to discuss Agro-terrorism and how the two agencies can collaborate on prevention, protection and outreach to Missouri public safety partners.

**Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MODNR)**

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MODNR), as lead agency for ESF3 – Public Works and Engineering, ESF10 – Oil and Hazardous Materials Response, and RSF6 – Natural and Cultural Resources, remains actively engaged in various disaster responses including flooding in northwest Missouri beginning in March, tornadoes throughout the state in May, and statewide flooding throughout June/July on the Missouri, Mississippi, and other north central rivers. These efforts focused on numerous community wastewater and drinking water systems, orphan container recovery, debris management, and geologic impact assessments.

The department participated and continues to participate in the Flood Recovery Advisory Working Group (FRAWG) meetings held throughout September, October, November and December, as that working group continues to explore river management and flooding impacts and challenges.

MODNR staff participated in the Midwestern Radioactive Materials Transportation (MRMT) table top exercise and committee meeting in Indianapolis, IN, November 13-14. Department staff coordinated with the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA), Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) and Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) staff for those exercise-driven joint efforts to ensure continued communication between all departments involved.
Department staff participated in the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) review process, coordinating with Department of Public Safety (DPS) staff in those evaluations of emergency response, drinking/wastewater infrastructure, and cultural impact response.

MODNR staff participated in the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program transportation exercise planning event on December 4, 2019 in Columbia and Moberly. The exercise is being conducted by the Department of Energy and Department of Defense federal agencies and is scheduled for August of 2020 in Moberly on the Norfolk Southern rail line. Department staff coordinated with local first responders, SEMA, MoDOT and DHSS staff for those exercise-driven joint efforts to ensure communication between all departments.

The department’s Environmental Emergency Response (EER) Section assisted with six pesticide-collection events in calendar year 2019 through funds resulting from a federal settlement. The department has scheduled six events for 2020.

2019
- March 9 - Portageville event collected 55,467 pounds from 30 participants
- April 6 – Troy event collected 26,156 pounds from 62 participants
- May 18 - Mount Vernon event collected about 4,500 pounds from 28 participants
- June 29 - Carrollton event collected about 6,800 pounds from 22 participants
- August 3 - Ste. Genevieve event collected about 5,000 pounds from 22 participants
- September 7 - Columbia event collected about 6,000 pounds from 28 participants

2020
- April 11 - West Plains
- May 16 - Dexter
- June 13 - Kirksville
- August 1 - Montgomery City
- August 29 - Albany
- October 10 – Clinton

EER staff attended a section-wide technical skills training event held in Jefferson City the week of September 30-October 3, 2019. The next skills training will be held in the spring of 2020.

EER staff attended the EPA Region VII Regional Response Team (RRT) meeting on September 25-26, 2019. Staff coordinated and networked with other member states and Federal agency representatives of the RRT and received briefings on recent response activities and initiatives in Missouri and the other Region VII states. EER staff plan to attend the next RRT meeting in March 2020.

EER staff attended the EPA EPCRA/Chemical Safety and Security meeting in Kansas City on November 13-14, 2019. EER staff continues to provide SEMA with all emergency response incidents reported to the department, which are then considered for inclusion in SEMA’s daily situational reports.

In 2019, EER staff attended and integrated in the following homeland security activities:
- National Hockey League Stanley Cup Finals (3 games in St. Louis) – radiological monitoring/security
- Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee Meetings
- Suspicious Substance Full Scale Exercise – Missouri State Capitol
- Biosecurity Working Group Meetings/Exercise
- Region VII Local Emergency Planning Committee Emergency Planning & Response Conference
- Missouri State Emergency Management Conference
- Clean Waterways Conference
- St. Louis Area BioWatch Advisory Committee Meeting
Missouri Information Analysis Center (MIAC)

The Missouri Information Analysis Center (MIAC) has made significant accomplishments throughout the year 2019. For example, partnerships with the Kansas City Regional Fusion Center (KCRFC) and the St. Louis Fusion Center (STLFC) have enabled the first joint production of a statewide threat assessment to be developed and released early in 2020. The comprehensive threat assessment took several months to complete and required significant cooperation between all three fusion centers. Additionally, MIAC jointly participated in Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) exercises with the STLFC, which aim to effectively measure the capabilities of each fusion center during a terrorist attack. Moreover, enhanced protocols for information sharing between MIAC, KCRFC, and STLFC have greatly improved, and the frequency of communication has been increased.

Services for local entities throughout the state increased throughout 2019, and include three initiatives: a school violence hotline; a cyber-intelligence program; and the start of a new website-build at MIAC. The school violence hotline, named "Courage2Report," is operating 24/7 at MIAC to provide a mechanism for confidentially reporting threats to schools. The cyber intelligence program is in the early stages of development at MIAC, which aims to enhance protective measures for critical infrastructure in Missouri by sharing intelligence. A new MIAC website is being built to enable local authorities to submit criminal intelligence tips more efficiently, thereby linking suspects to crimes across jurisdictional lines more effectively. These three initiatives are in addition to the thousands of transactional requests for information that MIAC fills for local authorities each year.

MIAC engagement with federal agencies has improved and increased as well. For example, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and MIAC started an Enhanced Engagement Initiative (EEI), which produced a partnership that has trained over 100 troopers throughout Missouri in domestic terrorism issues. Furthermore, FBI cyber analysts provided social media exploitation training to most MIAC analysts to expand capabilities and identify threats online. Moreover, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has enabled access to the classified Homeland Security Data Network (HSDN) and is providing additional training and access to systems to improve information sharing. Partnerships such as these are critical to engaging the information sharing network throughout the country.

Missouri Interoperability Center (MIC)

The capability to communicate across jurisdictional and discipline lines (interoperability of communications) is one of the top priorities of Missouri’s homeland security program. Ensuring that neighboring jurisdictions and multiple disciplines can communicate with each other leads to better emergency and disaster response and ultimately makes for safer communities. In support of this priority the Missouri Interoperability Center (MIC) attended RHSOC meetings throughout 2019 to provide updates to the regions and also conducted Missouri Statewide Interoperability Network (MoSWIN) training for the jurisdictions.
Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee Meetings attended:

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The Missouri Office of Homeland Security is responsible for the administration of grants, programs and initiatives that support Missouri homeland security. Throughout 2019, the unit worked closely with local, state, federal and private partners to build and maintain an awareness on the threats facing our state. The office coordinated with homeland security partners on initiatives aimed at preventing and mitigating these threats.

In addition to the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP), which encompasses the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) and the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), the OHS Grants Section administers additional grant programs in support of homeland security initiatives across Missouri. These programs include:

- Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP): NSGP provides funding support for physical security enhancements and other security related activities to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of a terrorist attack.
- State and Local Implementation Grant Program (SLIGP): SLIGP funding provides recipients with the resources to work with stakeholders throughout the state or territory to identify needs, gaps, and priorities for public safety wireless broadband.
- Stop School Violence (STOP): STOP provides funding to train school personnel and educate students on preventing student violence against others and themselves.
- Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN): PSN is designed to create and foster safer neighborhoods through a sustained reduction in violent crime, including, but not limited to, addressing criminal gangs and the felonious possession and use of firearms.
- Next Generation 911 (NG911): NG911 provides funding to support state and local efforts to deliver optimal 911 services.

As required by the HSGP, OHS is responsible for the completion of the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) and the Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR) to help communities understand their risks and determine the level of capability they need in order to address those risks. To assist our partners in the completion of their regional THIRA, OHS conducted a series of educational and practical training sessions throughout the year.

OHS serves as the state Point of Contact (POC) on behalf of the HSA as the designated security clearance nomination approving authority for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. This component facilitates the processing of security clearances for homeland security partners identified as needing access to classified information. In 2019, 30 clearances were processed for Missouri homeland security partners and an internal annual security clearance holder audit was completed.

OHS operates the Missouri Alert Network, which provides emergency messaging capabilities by DPS/OHS to homeland security partners. A total of 1,444 Missouri homeland security partners were connected to the alert network as of December 1, 2019.

In support of the core capability, information sharing, the office manages a statewide information sharing program developed for use by Missouri criminal justice agencies and accessed through the FBI's National Data Exchange (N-DEx), a secure nationwide sharing system. A total of 110 law enforcement agencies actively contributed criminal justice information to the sharing program in 2019.
The Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Program served as a point of coordination for the Missouri Uniform Law Enforcement-Mutual Aid Plan (MULE-MAP), which is the law enforcement component of the overall state mutual aid response plan. The MULE-MAP was revised and updated for 2019. In coordination with the Fire Mutual Aid Coordinator, the State Mutual Aid Plan was updated and revised for 2019. OHS supported the state’s emergency management response by providing direct support to the Emergency Support Function – Public Safety & Security (ESF-13). The program worked as a liaison to the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA), for training, exercises and activations of the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC). OHS supported the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC), which is a mutual aid agreement among U.S. states and territories.

The office continues to serve as the administrator for Homeland Security Information Network (HSIN), a secure network for homeland security mission operations to share sensitive but unclassified information. This network allows homeland security partners to manage operations, analyze data, send alerts and notices, and share the information they need to do their jobs and help keep communities safe. In support of Governor Parson’s state plan to help combat violent crime in the St. Louis region, HSIN membership was sponsored for a team of analysts working within a violent crime/drug task force to communicate and collaborate in a secure virtual space.

In 2019, OHS was designated by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security as a state administrator for the Infrastructure Protection Gateway Program. Access to the system and its tools allows homeland security and critical infrastructure partners the ability to identify, analyze and manage risk involving critical infrastructure to better protect Missouri.

The OHS added a cybersecurity specialist to its staff in 2019. The position serves as a liaison between OHS, RHSOC partners, fusion centers, and SEMA. It was identified early in the creation of the position there was a gap providing cybersecurity information from the federal and state governments to the locals. To fill this gap the Missouri cybersecurity distribution list was created; 176 recipients. Each recipient has received confidentiality and intelligence training to understand the need/right to know and re-dissemination of the cybersecurity information. The cybersecurity specialist has collaborated with the Missouri State Highway Patrol – Criminal Justice Information Sharing cyber analyst to create the Security Intel email address to disseminate cyber information and to collect reporting from the field. The cybersecurity specialist has partnered with the Missouri Information Analysis Center (MIAC), the St. Louis Fusion Center, and the Kansas City Regional Fusion Center (KCRFC) to create, publish, and disseminate the Monthly Cyber Open Source Intel Wrap-Up. As of December 1, 2019, 41 cybersecurity awareness emails have been disseminated to the RHSOC and Cyber distribution list; the Cybersecurity Specialist has participated in 17 outreach opportunities; and has assisted researching 57 potential cyber incidents.

In addition to the successes previously listed, throughout 2019 OHS contributed to the following:
• Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack programs in the Kansas City and St. Louis areas
• Submission of Missouri special events for the 2020 Special Event Assessment Rating Data Call to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in collaboration with the three fusion centers
• Provided representation at regularly scheduled homeland security partner meetings to include:
  o National Governors Association – Governor’s Homeland Security Advisory Council, Missouri Biosecurity
  o St. Louis Area BioWatch Advisory Committee
  o FEMA RVII State & UASI Preparedness Call
  o Missouri Domestic Terrorism Working Group
  o FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force, emergency response exercises
  o Fusion center collaboration calls
  o National School Safety Alliance Work Group
  o State Emergency Management Agency planning meetings
• OHS disseminated 68 homeland security specific awareness notifications to our homeland security partners and coordinated statewide training opportunities in the fields of homegrown violent extremism, THIRA, active shooter and threat awareness

Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP)

To address homeland security concerns in 2019, the Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP) continued to look at several programs and equipment to support and strengthen our responsibilities.

Partnerships:
As the ESF-13 Lead for the Missouri State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA), MSHP continues to be active in not only response, but also in planning and exercises. Over the course of 2019, MSHP members have participated in various types of exercises throughout the state with other state agencies. MSHP also staffed the ESF-13 desk at the State Emergency Operation Center during the hazardous weather event which impacted the state in 2019.

Equipment:
MSHP has repurposed a vehicle and equipped it as a communication vehicle for one of our SWAT teams. Based on the capabilities of both the vehicle and additional equipment added to it, MSHP will be adding two additional communication vehicles to support a variety of missions. With these additional vehicles, MSHP will be able to quickly deploy communication equipment to all parts of the state to assist with communications.

Programs:
MSHP has been hosting Interdiction for the Protection of Children training throughout the state for troopers and other agencies. To date, MSHP has trained over 500 troopers who have initiated 97 investigations surrounding the victimization of children. In addition to troopers, MSHP has exported the training, which has included judges, prosecutors, sheriff deputies, and municipal officers.

Training:
MSHP has closely examined our Continuity of Operations / Continuity of Government plans and has made significant changes, which should be beneficial if they are ever needed to be enacted. MSHP continues to prepare our officers for a rapid, coordinated response to a number of situations which may affect Missouri. This
training includes having officers properly trained in civil disorder. A restructuring of the Zone Terrorism Officer program within the MSHP was undertaken by the Missouri Information Analysis Center (MIAC) in 2019. This restructuring included specific training on intelligence gathering and will allow for better communication between officers in the field and analysts as well as between agencies.

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St. Louis Regional Collaboration and Coordination – The region continues the ongoing multi-year process, which provides the framework for regional information sharing, resource coordination, community preparedness, and strategic decision-making. Also supported through this initiative is the Citizen Emergency Response Team (CERT) program through planning, equipment purchases, training, and exercise activities. CERT training and exercises serve as an integral part in developing the procedures and familiarity with the use of equipment and plans across all disciplines. This initiative will also review the areas for improvement identified in the State Preparedness Plan (SPR).

St. Louis Regional Complex, Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) Program - The St. Louis Regional CCTA has completed a robust schedule of activities since August 2018 and will continue through June 2020. A replicable tabletop exercise (TTX) designed to increase stakeholder awareness of the St. Louis Fusion Center’s purpose and capabilities was conducted in October 2019. This was followed in December by a first of its kind multi-fusion TTX that included the St. Louis and Kansas City Regional Fusion Centers, the Missouri Information Analysis Center (MIAC), the Illinois State Terrorism Information Center (STIC), Federal Bureau of Information (FBI), and the Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF).

- Five discipline specific CCTA operational guides were developed and were then cycled through functional exercises and operational drills. Local, state, and federal partners in Missouri and Illinois were actively engaged in all parts of the operational guide development and exercise series through a total of 17 discussion-based workshops and exercises.
- To establish a regional common operating picture, specific components are being developed for the Regional CCTA Response Guide for six additional disciplines, including public information. Concepts within this guide include after action and improvement plan outcomes from the program’s regional PIO functional exercise held in July 2019.
- In 2020, an innovative, multi-day functional exercise will test intelligence and information sharing across fusion centers and stakeholders in Missouri and Illinois. In addition, the program will culminate with a Capstone Functional Exercise Series with an interactive resource management workshop in February, followed by a command and control exercise in May.
As a result of CCTA related planning activities, an initiative to develop and enhance interstate mutual aid between Missouri and Illinois was also supported and is being led by state partners.

St. Louis Regional Health Care Coalition (StL-HCC) – A Healthcare Coalition (HCC) is defined as a group of healthcare organizations and response agencies (e.g. hospitals, emergency medical services, public health agencies, and emergency management agencies, etc.) in a defined geographic location that work together to prepare for and respond to medical surge events. The StL-HCC comprises 9 Missouri counties (Franklin, Jefferson, Lincoln, Pike, St. Charles, St. Louis County, St. Francois, Warren, and Washington) and the independent City of St. Louis, while recognizing and appropriately partnering with three Illinois counties (Madison, Monroe and St. Clair) that are part of the HOPE Coalition in Illinois and have traditionally been a part of St. Louis regional planning and resource efforts.

- The StL-HCC continues to mature and support the metropolitan region in health care emergency preparedness with guidance from the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) grant. With federal grant funds, hospitals and emergency medical services (EMS) providers have been able to develop regional coordination plans, purchase equipment, assemble medical caches, and conduct exercises. STARRS and East-West Gateway staff assist with meeting facilitation, equipment procurement, emergency planning, conducting exercises, and general grant administration. Grant funding is provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Assistant Secretary of Preparedness and Response, which includes Ebola Preparedness and Response Activities. Additional grant funding is provided to the region’s hospitals through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP), Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant.

The St. Louis Regional Cyber Security Initiative – This project started with the appointment of the St. Louis Regional Cybersecurity Coordinator position within the St. Louis Fusion Center: Terrorism Early Warning Group. This position’s responsibilities include addressing identified gaps and deficiencies in St. Louis regional cybersecurity, reducing the region’s threat landscape, enhancing the overall security posture, and improving response, mitigation, recovery, and resiliency to a major cyber-attack in the St. Louis region. Additionally, the coordinator will work closely with cybersecurity specialist within the Missouri Office of Homeland Security, the FEMA cybersecurity advisor, the United States Secret Service and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The overarching goal of the St. Louis Fusion Center Cyber Security Initiative is to establish training and exercise objectives designed to raise awareness of cyber risk management, cyber-related planning, and other issues related to cyber incident prevention, protection, and response. To that end, on August 27, 2019 the Regional Cyber Security Initiative hosted the FEMA Virtual Tabletop Exercise Series (VTTX) – Cyber Security Focus for over 30 St. Louis local law enforcement, private sector representatives and the local office of the FBI. The Regional Cyber Security Coordinator led the exercise discussions which were focused on potential security risks and culminating with the containment, eradication, and recovery from a cyber-incident.

The St. Louis Fusion Center: Terrorism Early Warning Group - This important regional asset continues to leverage its position as a focal point for receiving information directly from Federal sources and sharing this information with the appropriate state, local and private sector partners. This information sharing varies from direct contact, electronic documents, video teleconferencing and educational opportunities. Two examples of utilizing the fusion center as a focal point for information sharing are:

- The St. Louis Fusion Center – Terrorism Early Warning Group works cooperatively with the FBI and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to prepare Special Event Threat Assessments (SETA) for multiple large scale, public events within the St. Louis UASI Region. These SETA’s are inclusive of the event location, dates, times, event descriptions, threat reporting, crime trends, concerns and any
information or intelligence that is appropriate for the planners, first responders and security staffing. The data processed for each SETA is a combination of international, national, federal, state and local information which is jointly analyzed by fusion Center analysts and federal partners. The assessments allow the planners to have a complete picture to help organize a large scale event and to be cognizant of any communicated threats to each event.

- The St. Louis Fusion Center has been actively working with the National Network of Fusion Centers to identify the most expeditious and effective way for social media tech companies to direct any incident of a ‘Threat to Life’ they learn of via their internal policies. During the summer of 2019, Interpol (Helsinki + Washington DC) directly contacted the St. Louis Fusion Center, requesting assistance concerning a Threat To Life situation identified through an online gaming company. This direct contact allowed the St. Louis Fusion Center to alert local law enforcement and immediately encounter/interdict the author of the Threat To Life and ensure a safe conclusion to the event.

St. Louis Regional Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) and Stakeholder Preparedness Report (SPR) - As part of the UASI grant, STARRS conducts workshops to develop the annual THIRA-SPR report. This is the second year of the updated THIRA-SPR methodology and included data for all core capabilities. After multiple years of discussion and ultimately responding to multiple flood incidents, the St. Louis region has included regional flooding as a hazard to the regional THIRA. The final THIRA-SPR will be completed in December and submitted to the Missouri Office of Homeland Security and entered in FEMA online through FEMA’s PrepToolkit in support of the statewide THIRA-SPR report.

Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee Highlights

FY2019 RHSOC Chairs
Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission completed all FY 2017 projects funded by the SHSP and is currently working on the completion of FY 2018 projects. In May and November 2019, Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission hosted two Salamander V.2 training sessions on behalf of Lafayette and Bates County Emergency Management. The Generator Load Testing project has been partially completed and the Odessa Radio project will be completed in early 2020. Subrecipient risk assessments and individual subawards were completed and submitted to the Missouri Office of Homeland Security for the FY 2019 grant cycle.

In FY 2017 and FY 2018, Region A (Urban) leveraged State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) funding to sustain and address gaps in the following areas:

SPECIALTY RESPONSE TEAMS (HAZMAT): Multi-Rae Gas Meters, Responder RCI Instruments, Hazmat ID 360 Instruments, and First Defender Instruments were purchased for Kansas City, Independence, Central Jackson County, and Lee’s Summit Fire departments in order for these hazmat units to continue monitoring air quality and determine unknown substances when called to an event scene. Data access was maintained so hazmat units can readily access chemical data from their response vehicles at event scenes. Custom RAE Basic Operation and Maintenance courses were held for regional hazmat team members.

TECHNICAL RESCUE: Replaced dry suites, gloves, water boots, and swift water helmets for Kansas City Missouri Fire Department, Central Jackson County Fire Protection District and our regional Missouri Technical Rescue teams to sustain Missouri River and small stream rescue capabilities. Held three regional Tech Rescue courses reaching 90 regional technical rescue members, which included Intro to Tech Rescue/ Rope Rescue/ Confined Space Technician, Boat Rescue Operations, Surface Water 1 and 2, and Swift Water 1 and 2, to sustain readiness.

EOD: Replaced existing explosive disrupter systems that had become obsolete for two regional EOD teams, Lee’s
Summit Police Department and Independence Police Department. These systems are used to disable explosive devices where they are located.

ENHANCED TACTICAL RESPONSE TEAM: Replaced a tactical robot for the Kansas City Police Department, one of the regional enhanced tactical teams, adding to the regional response capability for barricaded suspects and maintaining first responder safety. This robot replaces an existing robot, which is approaching end of life. Sent two Missouri tactical team members to National Tactical Officers Association Training Conference to learn emerging trends, stay abreast of new technology and lessons learned from real world events and to bring information back to other agencies.

KANSAS CITY REGIONAL MORTUARY OPERATIONAL RESPONSE GROUP (KCRMORG): Provided training for members to improve and maintain proficiency and maintenance on the mini X-ray.

Specialty team capabilities used in response to real world incidents over the past year include:

PLANNING: Conducted strategic planning to consider THIRA gaps, create a shared awareness of the current threat picture and confirm regional priorities. Updated the Regional Civil Disturbance Response Framework and web-based training course. Partnered with FEMA Region VII to host a workshop to help strengthen coordination, expand benefits and opportunities for businesses, and build the region’s overall response and recovery capacity. Assisted community organizations that serve vulnerable populations to increase their organizational resilience through a series of planning, training and exercise activities and partnered with them to reach their clients to increase personal preparedness. Developed a resource sharing workgroup to examine cross-jurisdictional, cross-state limitations for resource sharing. Continued to implement cooperative efforts to advance cybersecurity protection and recovery efforts. Completed the 2019 whole community input form to align with FEMA’s prescribed capability metrics and provided this information to the Missouri Office of Homeland Security for inclusion in the state Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR) to inform future preparedness efforts. Various agencies also participated in SEMA’s Region A exercises.

INFORMATION SHARING SYSTEMS: Maintained WebEOC as a bi-state situational awareness and common operating picture tool across the region, including Kansas partners. Maintained one license for the Kansas City Missouri Emergency Operations Center (KCMO EOC) to strengthen cross-jurisdictional state communications. Maintained the regional badging and accountability systems available to agencies in the region. Homeland Security funds were used to renew annual software licenses and maintain the regional cache of Track Apps. Two new printers were purchased for the Rapid Tag kits to replace outdated printers that were obsolete and no longer supported by the manufacturer for maintenance or repairs. Laptops were also purchased for the kits to replace old laptops that could no longer support the operating system updates needed to run software.

MULTI-DISCIPLINARY TRAINING AND EXERCISE: Hosted a Regional Training and Exercise Planning Workshop where multi-year training and exercise plans were developed. Executed the 2019 Regional Training and Exercise Plan. SHSP funds supported 6 ICS courses (3 ICS 300, 2 ICS 400, L690: All Hazards Position Specific Division/Group Supervisor Course) and trained 146 individuals. Conducted a recovery exercise and multi-disciplinary
prevention and response exercise in the port area.

KANSAS CITY REGIONAL FUSION CENTER (KCRFC): SHSP funds played a critical role in sustaining training for personnel and the key information and intelligence operating systems in the KCRFC to maintain the regional capability to receive, analyze and disseminate terrorism/threat information. Replacement laptops were purchased for two analysts. During this past year the KCRFC responded to about 260 threats from schools, workplace violence and potential mass casualties, a significant increase. Under the new school Courage 2Report Program, tips received for our five county area are delivered to the KCRFC for handling. KCRFC partnered with the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and MIAC on advancing cybersecurity protection efforts and sharing cyber threat information. The KCRFC contributed to the Missouri Fusion Center Coordination Plan and the Missouri Statewide Threat Assessment currently under review. The KCRFC participated in a monthly call with the MIAC and St. Louis Fusion Center to share threat and trend information and over the past year have collaborated with the Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP) and its zone officer terrorism program. Additionally, KCRFC conducted over 40 special event threat assessments across the region. The KCRFC continues to work with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) on critical infrastructure outreach and assessments. The KCRFC has fostered relationships with critical infrastructure, large venues, schools, local emergency services agencies, hospitals and many other community partners through ongoing outreach, private sector Intel Liaison Officer Training, exercise participation and other forms of engagement.

OTHER REGIONAL PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES FUNDED THROUGH OTHER SOURCES: CCTA Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack - Agencies across the region (5 counties in Missouri and 4 counties in Kansas) improved their readiness posture for intentional attacks through an aggressive planning, training and exercises program. Completed 14 jurisdictional assessments, conducted 8 courses (multiple offerings) 911 participants were trained, and conducted 10 exercises with 527 participants. Developed and implemented local CCTA training curricula. Researched lessons learned from intentional attacks, reviewed local emergency operations plans considering a CCTA and developed a local CCTA annex for customization and inclusion into LEOPs. Developed a regional outreach program using a train-the-trainer approach.

LOCAL PLANS: Updated the regional plan for hazardous material response and updated RCG ESF 8 and HCC Preparedness and Response Plan.

911: Developed an in-depth plan to strengthen cybersecurity of the regional 911 system. Implemented a new process for online reporting of monthly 911 call data and implemented Rapid SOS technology.

REAL WORLD INCIDENTS: In the past year, agencies across the region responded to a variety of severe weather incidents (flooding and tornadoes) and a range of smaller events and special events utilizing the investments made to serve the citizens of Missouri.
Throughout the past year, Region B has purchased equipment, assisted communities devastated by flooding, completed an inventory of over 600 items throughout 16 counties, as well as various other activities to support the Region B RHSOC. Equipment purchased during the last year included a generator capable of powering a shelter in a small community during power outages, radios for emergency personnel, equipment to support ID badging in the region, ham radio Go-Kits, a cargo trailer for mass casualty supplies, hazmat supplies to be used to identify hazardous materials, and other equipment to support emergency personnel.

During the spring of 2019, Missouri saw flooding reach levels comparable to the 1993 flood. Many communities along the Mississippi River were forced to fill sandbags to protect residential and commercial properties. Light towers were purchased with SHSP funding and utilized to enable emergency responders to safely continue the sandbagging efforts.

One of the largest projects accomplished across Region B was the inventorying over 600 equipment items purchased with SHSP funds. The equipment included items purchased from the inception of the RHSOC program. All equipment was accurately accounted for. The Region B RHSOC continues to provide all 16 counties in the region with the necessary resources to respond to and assist communities, counties or the entire region when needed.
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Region C completed nine SHSP funded projects, which include $50,000 for a generator transfer switch installation at both Altenburg and Winfield. Region C recently relocated various equipment within the region such as the mobile command center from Lincoln County to Pike County, portable shower trailer from Lincoln County to Missouri Baptist Disaster Relief, portable antennas/trailers from Perry County to Washington County 911, rapid inflatable shelter/trailer to Washington County 911. Region C also completed equipment disposition paperwork to properly dispose of obsolete or unrepairable items including: AV equipment at Warren County EOC, and expired water purification equipment from Lincoln County.

Region C successfully completed the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) requirements for 2019 and are currently working to complete the Nationwide Cybersecurity Review.

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The Region D, Greene County Communications Vehicle and Command Support Unit supported many events this year and provided on-site command support for public safety agencies via dispatch capabilities and general support functions for related public safety agencies. Some of the events included: Fellowship Christian Church Freedom Fest, Light the Way, Ozark Empire Fair, Route 66 Festival, a multistate communications exercise, and Bass Pro Marathon. The Region D Multi-Agency Coordination Center-Primary (DMACC-P) continued support of the DMACC process, acting as the primary MACC for the region.

MOCERT 1 continues to be recognized as a leading training and response team throughout Region D and Missouri. Presentations were made at both the 2019 SEMA conference and the 2019 Volunteer Symposium on building a successful CERT team based on lessons learned from Region D. We value and appreciate the support that the RHSOC has provided us in years past to keep this valuable asset in the region. MOCERT 1 currently includes the following counties and towns; Green, Christian, Polk, Dallas, McDonald, Branson and Hollister.
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Southwest Missouri Incident Support Team:
2019 has been a year of growth for the Southwest Missouri Incident Support Team (IST). We started off with several large projects in conjunction with new guidelines set by the Missouri Incident Management System and SEMA. These new guidelines required us to form committees with specific tasks:

Standard Operating Guide (SOG)/Policy – This committee is reviewing our current SOGs and applying/adapting them to meet higher standards. The committee also reviews the concept of operations to ensure we are working toward a common goal.

Logistics – This year has been one of significant progress and accomplishments. The group collaborated between the three recognized teams and developed an inventory within Salamander, and generated an optimal cache of equipment for each team. SW IST was awarded Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) funds through SEMA to achieve an adequate level of equipment and supplies to meet this standard.

Communications-IT – Working toward a common operating picture, this group looks at our current infrastructure and how we adapt to MOSWIN and other systems within the state. They are also part of the workgroup reviewing WebEOC for improvements.

Credentialing – It is a goal to make credentialing in Missouri achievable and to provide integrity in the process. This group reviews requests for credentialing and submits suggestions to the policy group for presentation to Missouri Incident Management System (MIMS) advisory committee.

Training – SEMA has taken a proactive approach to providing position specific training statewide. This group looks to assist SEMA in located class needs and offerings around the country. The MIMS advisory group was put on hold as the state dealt with flooding in almost every region. We have started back up and are continuing to work toward the goal of strengthening the IST presence in Missouri.

We also improved our deployment request tracking process. This year the IST has been requested for:
   EMAC – 4 attempts/responses
   Missouri – 4 requests/responses
   Region D – 3 responses

We also began interacting with our agencies within the region. This includes MoDOT, SW Missouri PIO group, Queen City Area Chief Association and MUFRTI. We continue to include representation of the IST at several of the ICS courses delivered statewide. We look for any opportunity to engage our partners and share our resources.

We are looking forward to 2020 the coming year brings more opportunities to advance the IST’s capabilities. The Battlefield Fire District continues to support the IST equipment cache is planning for upgrades/sustainment of the equipment cache throughout the year. The next big item for the team will be the All-Hazards Incident Management Association conference in St. Louis in December. Several team members will be providing logistical support for the conference.
On February 20, 2019 a statewide earthquake summit was held to gather more information regarding the New Madrid Seismic Zone risk and Missouri’s current response capabilities. Breakout sessions were tailored for three distinct groups: school safety officials, local public health agencies, and first responders. There were approximately 300 attendees.

A training for the mobile field hospital, a regional asset, was performed on April 1-2, 2019. The vendor was on-site and available to assist with tips on set up and tear down. From this training, discussions ensued regarding the distribution of the asset and how to better serve the region. Region E decided to divide the asset across the region. Two wings and contents will now be housed at the Stoddard County Ambulance District, one wing and contents will be housed at the Jackson Fire Department, and one wing and hub will be housed at the Cape Girardeau Fire Department. This will also make the wings and hubs accessible to the Regional Homeland Security Response Team (HSRT), thus enhancing their overall capability.

In July 2019, the U.S. Air Force held an Intermediary Readiness Training in Minor, Mo., which provided health care services for the region’s residents. This event doubled as the Region E exercise, which consisted of the deployment of a wing of the field hospital for use by the Air Force. The exercise included assembly of the wing, hooking up power, HVAC and ducting and lighting. The wing was set up for 10 days and experienced intense heat, humidity and a severe storm. The asset performed exceptionally well and the region benefited from the exercise.
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Region F funded several homeland security-related initiatives, including sustainment projects. Equipment and supply updates, replacements and new purchases were made for several counties and response teams, including: Camden and Gasconade counties were each awarded 175kW generators, Audrain County was awarded an electronic sign board for critical information dissemination, Callaway and Osage counties were awarded first responder personal protective equipment, Boone County Emergency Management Office was awarded an incident support trailer, and Columbia and Cole County response teams, as well as the Cole County Mobile Emergency Operations Center each received new equipment.

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The Region G Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee (RHSOC) comprises nine counties in the Southern Central region of the State of Missouri (Ripley, Carter, Wright, Douglas, Texas, Shannon, Oregon, Howell, and Ozark). These counties rank among the poorest in the state. The opportunities provided by the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) allow the region to grow and increase their emergency response capabilities.

Interoperable communication is an ongoing concern and priority of the Region G RHSOC. As of 2019, all counties have the capacity for interoperable communications. Moving forward, aging equipment will be updated to maintain compatibility with technological advances. Sustainability is a top priority to ensure deployable resources, including mass care emergency trailers and support equipment, as well as lifesaving
fire and rescue equipment, is available for use statewide in the event of an emergency. GIS mapping resources have been increased to enhance the region’s capabilities and local emergency operation-plans.

South Central Council of Governments (SCOCOG) staff continues to monitor and work with the Region G RHSOC on current grant procurement, reporting, annual work program requirements, and the preparation and completion of the next grant application cycle. All projects for FY 2016 and FY 2017 have been completed and the grants have been successfully closed. FY 2018 will be closed in early 2020. It is a priority of the region to spend down all allocated funds awarded in FY 2019 within six months and that will be the policy for all future awards.

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It was another productive year for Region H. Much was accomplished through the quarterly RHSOC meetings held in January, April, July and October of 2019, including the election of a new RHSOC Chair and Vice Chair and the FY 2019 grant awards.

In addition to closing out the FY 2016 and FY2017 grants, eight of the 10 projects awarded for FY 2018 were completed and the two remaining projects are underway. Through these initiatives, Region H gained valuable assets, such as mass casualty medical supplies, body armor tactical gear and interoperable communications equipment.

Lastly, those entities awarded FY 2019 grant funds that completed and submitted the new Nationwide Cybersecurity Review (NCSR) received their subaward agreements and participated in the completion of the annual Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) planning document for the region.
The Meramec Regional Planning Commission (MRPC) hosted quarterly meetings for the Region I RHSOC in January, April, July and October 2019. The group reviewed eight grant requests and approved FY 2019 grants for eight applicants: Rolla Homeland Security Response Team (HSRT) (includes purchases for All Hazard Team, Command Post, Mobile Radio, and Search & Rescue), Waynesville Police Department (radios), Crocker Police Department (radios), and Lenox Rural Fire Department (radios) and Meramec Regional Planning Commission (MRPC) (management and administration, and planning). Working with grant subrecipients, MRPC finalized procurement of FY 2017 grant awards and began the coordination and procurement of the FY 2018 grant awards. The 2019 Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) was approved by the committee on Oct. 31, 2019, and submitted to the Missouri Office of Homeland Security, with primary work completed by the Region I RHSOC subcommittee and the Rolla HSRT. Volunteers donated more than 120 hours to the Region I THIRA process. Also, Angela Robinson, DPS Cybersecurity Specialist, presented at the Oct. 31, 2019, RHSOC meeting and the December, SEMA Region I meeting, where she discussed cybersecurity issues with local first responders.

In 2019, with coordination and funding through the MRPC planning grant, the Region I RHSOC and area partners hosted a CERT class on July 20-21, where six people attended from around the region’s six counties. Additionally, Region I homeland security interoperable communications equipment was used in the response and recovery efforts for the Hwy. 17 tornado in Pulaski County on May 22, 2019. The Pulaski County Sheriff’s Department, Waynesville Rural Fire Department, Pulaski County OEM, Missouri State Highway Patrol, American Red Cross and Pulaski County Health Department all responded to the tornado.