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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 2020 Annual Report on Missouri Homeland Security. This report highlights 2020's accomplishments and summarizes the homeland security grant funding activities and is submitted pursuant to Executive Order 06-09.

Over the last year, Missouri faced a multitude of challenges such as severe weather, civil unrest and the COVID-19 crisis. These events subjected Missourians to periods of insecurity, disruption, economic loss and significant threats to health and safety. These challenges provided an opportunity for homeland security partners to work together and provide solutions to our citizens.

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 in 2021.

Sincerely,

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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 Director of the Missouri Office of Homeland Security. 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.



Pursuant to Executive Order 06-09, the Director of the Department of Public Safety is the Homeland Security Advisor to the Governor. 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.



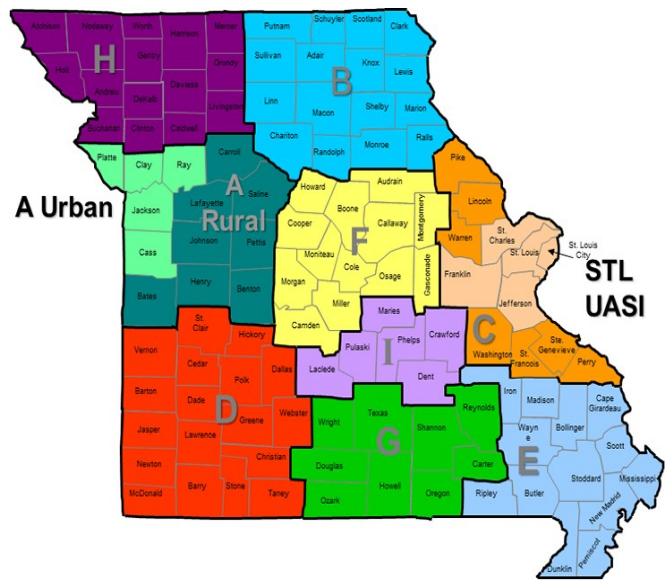
The Missouri Office of Homeland Security is the designated State Administrative Agency (SAA) for the United States Department of Homeland Security's Homeland Security Grant Program. The OHS Division of Grants is responsible for the administration, management, and oversight of the Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSP-Regionalization and LETPA, and the Urban Areas Security Initiative UASI).

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’s are an integral part of the Missouri Homeland Security Regionalization Program. Under this program, the state is divided into ten 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 their responsibility to 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 minimum required core disciplines that represent the RHSOC membership:

- Director of Emergency Management
- Chief of Police
- County Sheriff
- Chief of Fire
- County Health
- Homeland Security Response Team (HSRT)
- City or County Public Works

- Mayor or City Administrator
- County Commissioner
- Private Industry/Public Utility
- Emergency Medical Service
- 911
- Volunteer Sector
- Schools



HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT ALLOCATIONS

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 identified in the 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). These targets are used to align planning, organization, equipment, training, and exercise needs to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism and other catastrophic events.

2018-2020

Grant Year	2018	2019	2020
SHSP - Non LETPA	\$2,985,000	\$3,058,125	\$3,215,625
SHSP - LETPA	\$995,000	\$1,019,375	\$1,071,875
UASI	\$3,000,000	\$3,250,000	\$3,500,000
NSGP	\$350,650	\$298,600	\$717,896
Total	\$7,330,650	\$7,626,100	\$8,505,396



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.



Bourbon was purchased by the Missouri Capitol Police Department with SHSP grant funds.

Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities (LETPA)

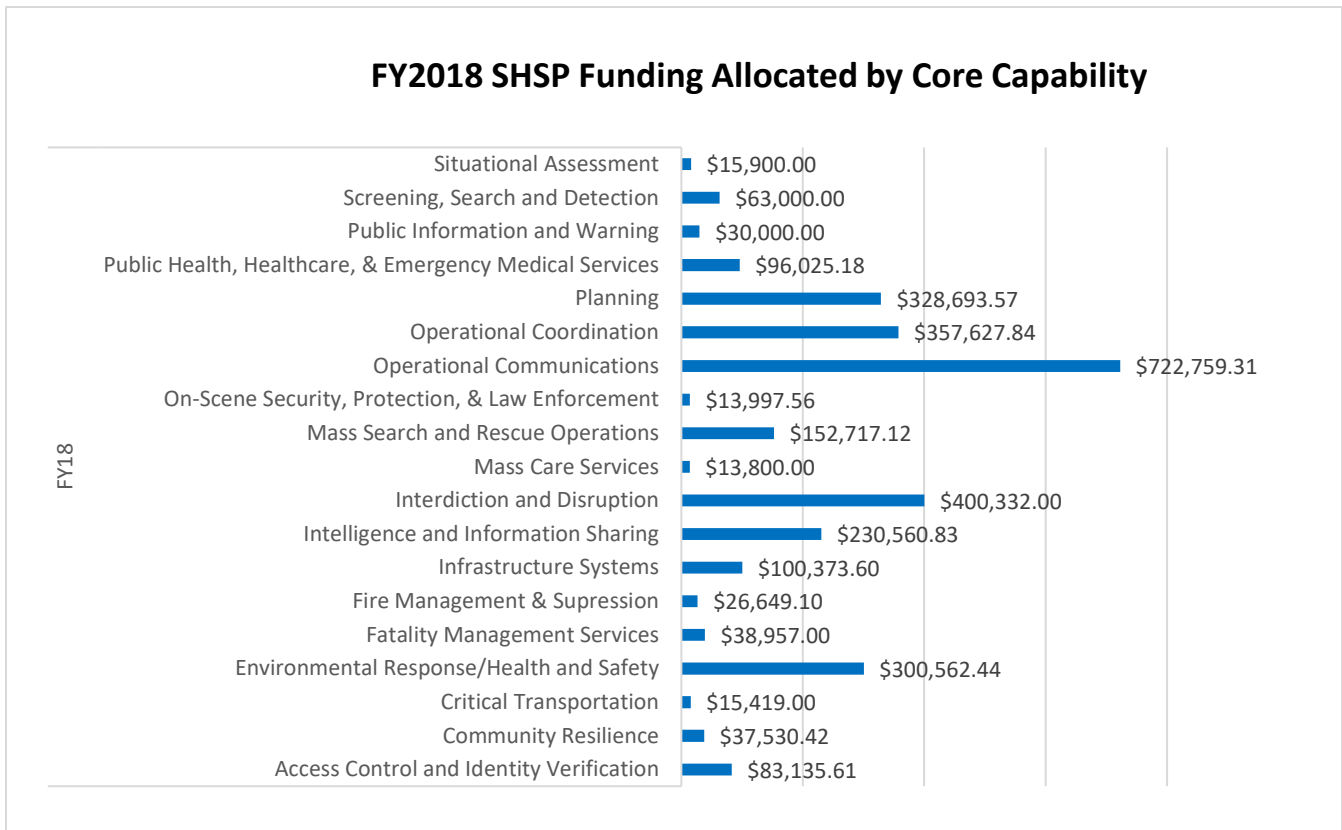
The SHSP requires 25 percent of SHSP funds be allocated for law enforcement terrorism prevention activities (LETPA). The LETPA initiative must facilitate effective state and local law enforcement and investigative response to all threats or acts of terrorism within Missouri. Initiatives must sustain and enhance capabilities 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

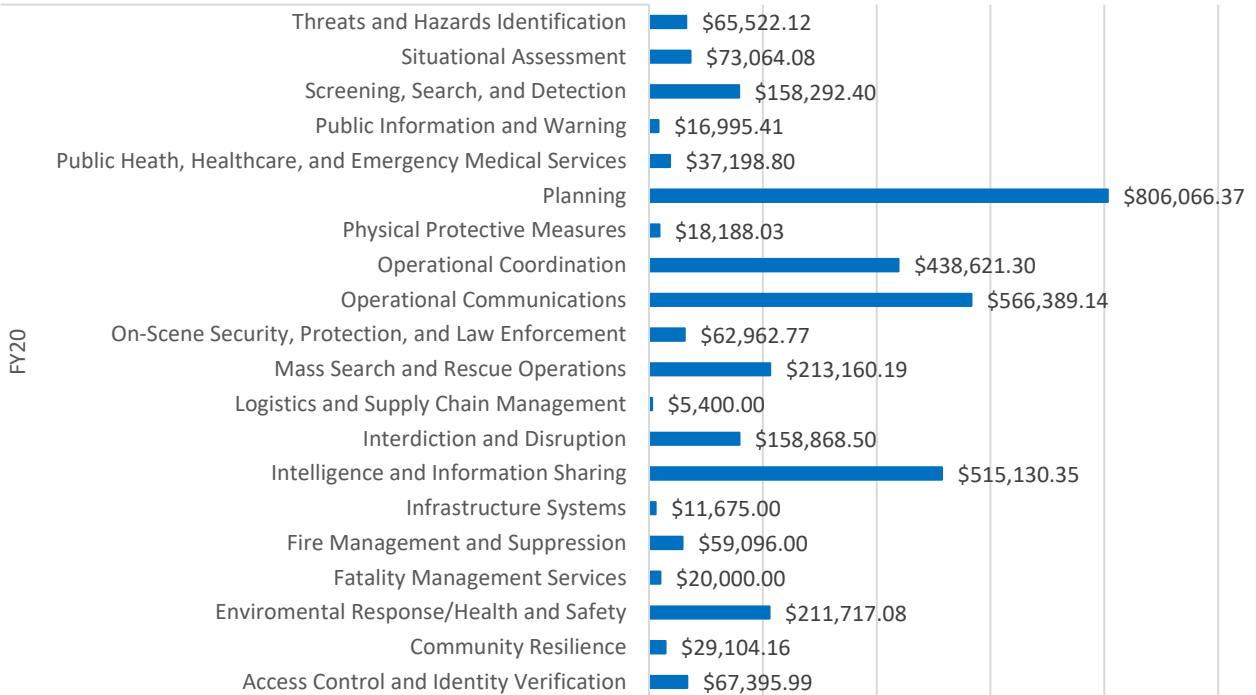
The charts shown below depict State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) funding broken out by the core capabilities as identified in the National Preparedness Goal for grant years 2018, 2019 and 2020.



FY2019 SHSP Funding Allocated by Core Capability



FY2020 SHSP Funding Allocated by Core Capability



RHSOC Funding - Grant Year 2020 - Projects by Region

Region A Rural

- WorkPlan
- Bates County Mobile Radios
- Henry County Badging
- Odessa PD Portable Radios & Repeaters
- Benton County Generator Load Testing
- Cole Camp Rural Fire Protection Mobile Radios
- Saline County Generator Load Testing
- Higginsville PD Mobile Radios & Repeaters
- Saline County Badging
- Johnson County Salamander
- City of Lexington Light Tower
- Johnson County Generator Load Testing
- Sedalia-Pettis County Badging
- Johnson County Sheriff Night Vision Kit
- Sedalia-Pettis County Generator Load Testing

Region A Urban

- WorkPlan
- WebEOC Sustainment
- Sustain Tactical & Explosive Threat Response Capabilities
- Sustain Regional Training Capacity
- Sustain Regional Medical Reserve Corp
- Citizen Preparedness
- Sustain Regional Badging & Accountability
- Sustain Mass Fatality Response Capabilities
- Sustain Regional Technical Rescue Teams
- Sustain Regional Hazmat Team Response Capability
- Sustain Regional Exercise Capacity
- Sustain Regional Planning & Collaboration

Region B

- WorkPlan
- Marion County Rapid Response Vehicle Sustainment
- Moberly Police Department Personal Protective Equipment
- Hannibal FD Hazmat Detector & PPE
- Adair County Badging
- Macon County 911 GIS Mapping
- Schuyler County Mobile Radios & Repeaters
- City of Moberly SCBA Air Paks & Cylinders
- Clark County Fire Corp Gas Detectors
- City of Kirksville Gas Monitor/Detector
- Kahoka Command Trailer MOSWIN Base Radio Package

Region C

- WorkPlan
- Warren County Badging Printer & Supplies
- Perry County Portable Radios & Repeaters
- Warren County Emergency Services Dispatch Radio Console
- Warren County POD Laptops/Printers
- Wright City Fire Protection District Small Unmanned Aircraft System

Region D

- WorkPlan
- Greene County Sheriff Mobile Command Vehicle Sustainment
- Jasper County Communications Vehicle
- Christian County MOCERT1
- Springfield FD Structure Collapse Equipment Sustainment
- Branson Fire & Rescue HSRRS Sustainment
- Springfield FD Structure Collapse Training Sustainment
- Greene County WebEOC Sustainment
- Springfield FD Hazmat Monitor Replacement
- Greene County Communications Vehicle Sustainment
- Springfield FD Hazmat Monitor Sustainment
- Greene County Command Post Sustainment
- Springfield FD Hazmat Monitor Replacement
- Branson Fire and Rescue Ballistic Blanket
- Springfield FD Bomb Suit

Region E

- WorkPlan
- Jackson HSRT
- Cape Girardeau CERT
- Kennett Communications Vehicle
- Cape Girardeau HSRT
- Sikeston DPS HSRT
- Cape Girardeau Communications Vehicle

Region F

- WorkPlan
- Gasconade County Generator Load Testing
- Boone County Light Tower
- Montgomery County Generator Load Testing
- Boone County Generator Load Testing
- Osage County Badging
- Boone County IST Trailer Sustainment
- Osage County Generator Load Testing
- Callaway County Generator Load Testing
- Audrain County Generator Load Testing
- Camden County Light Tower
- Boone County IST Supplies
- Camden County Generator Load Testing
- Camden County Electronic Message Board Batteries

- Cole County Personal Protective Equipment
- Camden County Generator Cables
- Cole County Generator Load Testing
- Cooper County Electronic Message Board Batteries
- Cole County HSRT
- Howard County Electronic Message Board Batteries
- Cole County Mobile Emergency Operation Center
- Moniteau County Generator Load Testing
- Cooper County Generator Load Testing
- Montgomery County Electronic Message Board Batteries
- Cooper County Badging
- Osage County Electronic Message Board Batteries

Region G

- WorkPlan
- Licking PD Mobile Radios
- West Plains FD HSRRS SCBA Sustainment
- Texas County Memorial Hospital Mobile Radios
- West Plains FD HSRRS Gas Meter Sustainment
- Thayer PD Mobile Radios
- Howell-Oregon-Carter LEPD Communications Vehicle Sustainment
- Wright County Emergency Communication Center Mobile Radio
- Howell County Rural Fire Trauma Kits & Thermal Imaging Camera
- Licking PD Repeater
- Licking PD Crisis Kits

Region H

- WorkPlan
- Chillicothe SCBA Tanks
- Buchanan County Badging
- NTA Ambulance District Portable Radios and Repeater
- Buchanan County Communications Vehicle

Region I

- WorkPlan
- Rolla All Hazard Response Team
- Planning & Training
- Salem Memorial District Hospital Mobile Radio
- Rolla Command Post Communications
- Salem Memorial District Hospital PAPRs
- Rolla Command Post Mobile Radios
- Waynesville PD Mobile Radio & Wireless Microphones
- Rolla Search & Rescue

Statewide Projects

- Callaway County Sheriff Crowd Control Panels
- Branson Police Department Crowd Control Barricades
- St. Joseph Police Department Command Post Mobile Radio
- Lincoln University Metal Detectors
- Kimberling City Mobile Radios

- Jefferson City Police Department Vehicle Megaphone
- Kansas City Emergency Management Agency Portable Security Camera System
- Perry County Sheriff Ballistic Helmets & Shields
- Webb City Police Department Portable Lights, Face & Body Shields
- St. Joseph Emergency Management Agency Mobile Scene Lighting
- Audrain County Emergency Management Agency Drone
- Christian County Sheriff Drone
- Jackson Emergency Management Agency HSRT Ballistic Vests
- Osage County Sheriff Surveillance & Pole Camera System

LETPA

- MSHP DDCC Bomb Suits
- Kansas City Regional Fusion Center
- Sikeston DPS Mobile Comm Vehicle
- Missouri Interoperability Center
- Schuyler County Sheriff Portable Radios
- MSHP MIAC Shadow Dragon OI Monitor
- Capitol Police
- MSHP MIAC
- West Plains Emergency Management Agency MDT's
- MSHP MIAC Shadow Dragon Social Net/Maltego
- Perry County Sheriff Portable Radios and Repeaters

UASI

- Regional Cybersecurity Initiative
- CBRNE Detection Instrumentation and Support
- Election Cybersecurity Initiative
- St. Louis Regional Training and Exercise
- Fusion Center Sustainment
- Elections Soft Target Protection
- Regional Planning & Coordination
- Metro Air Support, Moving Map
- Homemade Explosives Response & Awareness Training
- SWAT and TEMS Ballistic Vests Replacements
- Unmanned Aerial Surveillance Detection
- RTF Readiness EMS Rescue Task Force Teams Deployable Protective Equipment
- Regional Pandemic Preparedness Summit and Exercise Series
- Cyanide Antidote Kits
- Cold Chain Management Capabilities Enhancement
- US&R Training Series
- Rapid DNA Instrument
- US&R Concrete Chainsaws
- Exercise Series for the St. Louis Bi-State Region Mass Fatality Resource Coordination Plan
- Refrigerated Morgue Trailers
- Bomb Suit Sustainment
- Cardiac Monitor Defibrillator Replacements
- Nano X-Ray Machine



American Red Cross

Agency Overall Update

- As a result of the ongoing health and safety concerns related to COVID-19, Red Cross closed access to all buildings to the general public beginning in March 2020. Access to Red Cross chapters and other facilities are limited to Essential Services activities, and then with strict monitoring processes followed.
- All employees and volunteers continue to perform work-related duties in a primarily remote capacity, accessing Red Cross facilities only as necessary at this time.

Local Residential Fire Response

- In consideration of health-safety guidelines recommended by CDC and state officials, Red Cross has implemented specific safety precautions at all levels of disaster response.
- Immediate, disaster-related assistance for individuals and families continues to be provided utilizing appropriate social distancing and virtual/remote technology when necessary to ensure the continued safety of our clients and responders while meeting the basic human needs of those affected and/or displaced by disaster.

Other Disaster Response

- Red Cross provided support in response to flooding in Northwest and Central Missouri during the summer in St Joseph and Jefferson City, as well as sending dozens of responders to the ongoing wildfire and hurricane responses in Oregon, Colorado, Texas and Louisiana.

Home Fire Campaign

- The Red Cross Smoke Alarm Installation program was placed on hiatus in the initial phases of the pandemic, but has been recently reinstated by utilizing targeted partnerships with local fire departments.
- To date, more than 30 local Missouri-based fire departments have signed Partner Installation Agreements with Red Cross chapters.

Community Preparedness

- Community Preparedness Programs have also been revised in both delivery and implementation strategies to allow for more remote opportunities.
- *Be Red Cross Ready* (general individual preparedness) and *Ready Rating* (business/faith-based facility preparedness) programs are now available through multiple virtual platforms.

Blood Drives

- Red Cross continues to schedule and conduct safe and effective blood drives across the state.
- Scheduling and physical set up have been adjusted to provide a safe, physically distanced and attendance-controlled environment for blood donors and workers.
- COVID-19 Antibody testing was implemented in the early summer months and continues at this time. Red Cross is also active in the collection of convalescent plasma in appropriate markets.

Training/Exercises

- Red Cross staff and volunteers continued to participate in local, county and state planning meetings in the ongoing coordination efforts for COVID-19 response.
- Team members are also engaged in discussions with state and federal partners working on review/revision of the New Madrid Seismic Zone Response Plan and other statewide initiatives.



Missouri Division of Fire Safety (DFS)

The Division of Fire Safety has been quite active in the field of homeland security in 2020. We have nine of our law enforcement officers enrolled in the Department of Public Safety Counter-Terrorism Officer Program. These nine investigators make up a little more than 50% of our law enforcement staff and this training will be of great benefit to the Division, Department, and State of Missouri in having additional officers available to assist in homeland security issues when they arise. Additionally, we have one Captain assigned to the Governor's Violent Crimes Task Force. He has been working with the Task Force in eastern Missouri for the last 14 months and his efforts have added to the combined success of this group. In the field of homeland security, the majority of his cases have dealt with removing narcotics and illegal weapons from the streets of Missouri, and thereby reducing the likelihood of bad actors committing crimes that could impact homeland security. Also, the Statewide Fire Mutual Aid Coordinator, along with the Statewide Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Coordinator labored for numerous weeks in 2020 with the coordination and distribution of personal protective equipment (PPE) to fire and law enforcement agencies, statewide. Their efforts put PPE in the hands of over 800 fire departments and over 500 law enforcement agencies for pandemic response operations. This has enabled these agencies to continue to provide critical services, while offering some protection to the responders. Lastly, the Fire Mutual Aid Coordinator has worked, and is still working with the US Fire Administration, under the US Department of Homeland Security, in releasing eNIFRS. This is the new version of the National Fire Incident Reporting System from which data can be utilized to conduct research on responses within the State of Missouri, some of which may have implications to homeland security efforts and initiatives.

2019-2020 Grant Cycle projects/funding: The Division of Fire Safety received \$8,457 in state Homeland Security Program Funding, of that, \$1,579 was used to purchase First Responder Kits to be carried by Fire Investigators. The remaining \$6,878 is being used to purchase ballistic gear for Fire Investigators.

Deployments:

- Statewide Fire Mutual Aid Coordinator was deployed to assist in State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) warehouses over several days/weeks in 2020 to assist with distribution of PPE for fire and law enforcement agencies.
- Mutual Aid also deployed to State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) for potential civil unrest and election security, both in support of homeland security.
- Investigator deployed (as mentioned above) to Governor's Violent Crimes Task Force for past 14 months.





Missouri Department of Social Services (DSS)

The Missouri Department of Social Services (DSS) reviewed the Emergency Repatriation Exercise held November 2019, and continues to plan and train in the event the Missouri State Emergency Repatriation plan would be activated by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to support a large scale emergency repatriation. DSS participated in the State Integrated Preparedness Planning Workshop and is working with SEMA to plan an Emergency Repatriation Exercise for 2021.

As the lead state agency responsible for the registration of evacuees in the Callaway Energy Center and the Cooper Nuclear Station Evacuee Reception and Care Center plans, DSS is collaborating with SEMA to train DSS team members on the Salamander Live system that will be used to register evacuees in the event an emergency at either power plant requires an evacuation order. Salamander Live will also be used for registering evacuees and tracking resources during an emergency repatriation event.

DSS COVID-19 Pandemic Response

DSS has taken multiple actions to assist citizens in responding and recovering from the current pandemic.

- DSS provided \$1.5 million from the Coronavirus Relief Fund and \$5 million in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding to the six regional Missouri Food Banks for the purchase of food to help meet the needs of Missourians impacted by the pandemic and in need of food assistance.
- The USDA approved DSS request to use USDA food to operate Disaster Household Food Distribution in response to COVID-19. USDA food packages weighing approximately 25 pounds were distributed from mobile and drive-by locations coordinated by the Missouri food banks at over 200 distribution sites.
- DSS requested waivers from USDA for the extension of Pandemic Food Stamp/Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (P-SNAP) benefits. Waivers have been approved allowing Missouri Food Stamp recipients to receive the maximum amount of benefits for their household size for the months of April – November.
- With CARES Act funding, DSS was able to provide additional child care assistance to low-income families and child care providers. DSS was able to support Missouri's Show Me Strong Recovery Plan, by providing low-income families impacted by COVID-19 with child care assistance as they reenter the workforce. The CARES Act Child Care Plan provides a temporary Child Care Subsidy benefit (up to 90 days) while they look for work.



Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources is an active partner in the HSAC and presents this end-of-year report that summarizes the events and efforts that were carried out in 2020. These various activities and events fall into the categories of awareness, prevention, protection, mitigation, response and recovery.

The actions detailed below were carried out as part of standard agency functions and were not utilizing any action-specific homeland security grant funding. We do note that the Department has received historic funding for equipment used in environmental emergency response and monitoring efforts and that equipment is continually maintained in a state of readiness for incident response and/or monitoring. One example of homeland security-funded equipment being used in 2020 was the deployment of department staff that utilized radiological monitoring devices as part of security measures at the National Hockey League All-Star game in St. Louis in January. These pieces of equipment are vital for that mission, as well as any radiological response trainings or incidents that could occur in the State.

A summary of 2020 events are listed below:

- The Department, as lead agency for ESF-3 – Public Works & Engineering, ESF-10 – Oil & Hazardous Materials Response, and ESF-6 – Natural & Cultural Resources, remained actively engaged on various disaster responses throughout 2020, which included COVID-19 pandemic impacts, localized flash flooding events, and hazardous weather impacts. These efforts focused on numerous community waste water and drinking water system operations, orphan container recovery, debris management, grant assistance, and geologic impact assessments.
- The Department, partnered with the Department of Health & Senior Services (DHSS) and researchers at the University of Missouri–Columbia, have implemented a pandemic sewershed monitoring program for genetic indicators of SARS-CoV-2 in wastewater. This wastewater monitoring program provides additional information to health agencies about societal virus circulation that is not captured by clinical testing. The Department’s role in the program is sample coordination/collection logistics working with the municipal and/or facility-based wastewater treatment plants (WWTPs). Upon sample receipt, labs at the University of Missouri–Columbia then conduct the molecular analysis and data quality assurance. DHSS funds the project, conducts data analysis, and determines how this information will be used to inform public health decisions. This monitoring program is currently grant-funded through June 2021, but could be extended based on the vaccine distribution schedule and value of data provided. There are currently 95 sewershed locations actively sampled. Those sites are comprised of municipal WWTPs, universities, medical facilities, mental health facilities, correctional facilities and veteran’s homes.
- The Department has coordinated six pesticide-collection events in calendar year 2020 through funds resulting from a federal settlement. Volumes from the last event held 10/24 are still being calculated by manifest data and not available at the time of this report.
 - June 13 – Kirksville; 13,137 pounds from 41 participants
 - August 1 – Montgomery City; approximately 13,200 pounds from 33 participants
 - August 29 – Albany; approximately 13,800 pounds from 18 participants
 - September 19 – West Plains; approximately 2,600 pounds from 15 participants
 - October 10 – Clinton; approximately 8,100 pounds from 42 participants
 - October 24 – Dexter; approximately 48,429 pounds from 31 participants

This has been a successful year of waste pesticide collection operations and generated a total waste volume of approximately 99,266 pounds. Additional information about the Pesticide Collection Program may be viewed at: <https://dnr.mo.gov/env/hwp/pesticide/>

- The Department participated in the Flood Recovery Advisory Working Group Meetings held in 2020, as that work group explored river management practices, assessed flooding impacts/challenges, and sought feedback from stakeholders. A final report was sent to the Governor's Office in May detailing findings and recommendations, with those implementation efforts still ongoing.
- Department staff are coordinating with the U.S. EPA and associated stakeholders to develop the *2021 Earthquake Resilience Webinar for Water and Wastewater Utilities in the New Madrid Seismic Zone*. This webinar will present information on earthquake resilience products, assessments, case studies and mutual aid programs. There will also be topics presented on mitigation of threats and funding opportunities for these efforts. This webinar will be held February 23 & 24, 2021. More information and registration for this event can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/y4j6eeeh>.
- The Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program (NNPP) Exercise and Demonstration scheduled for fall of 2020 was postponed indefinitely. Staff from the U.S. Department of Energy's Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program contacted Department staff to propose postponing remaining NNPP meetings, in person exercises, and field demonstration until Federal Fiscal Year 2021, due to ongoing uncertainties from the COVID-19 pandemic. Other state and local agencies were coordinated with during these discussions and have agreed with this decision. The Department remains in communication with NNPP staff evaluating resumption options for this exercise, and anticipate planning efforts to formally resume in 2021.
- Department staff participated in the 2020 Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) review process, coordinating with Department of Public Safety staff in those evaluations of emergency response, drinking/waste water infrastructure, and cultural impact response.
- Department staff participated in FEMA's Continuity Planning for States and Local Government Webex in June. This program presented an overview of FEMA's Continuity Resource Toolkit, including municipal applications and potential assistance in developing Continuity of Operations plans at community levels.
- Department staff coordinated with SEMA on various efforts in 2020, reviewing the State Emergency Operations Plan (SEOP), Emergency Management Accreditation Plan (EMAP), and developing the 2021 State Integrated Preparedness Planning Workshop (IPPW) documents. These planning and preparedness efforts ensure operational understanding between the ESF agencies, coordination processes and overall situational awareness and response methods.
- Department staff attended the virtual EPA Region 7 Regional Response Team (RRT) meeting on September 24, 2020. Staff coordinated and networked with other member states and federal agency representatives of the RRT and received briefings on recent response activities.
- Department staff attended the Environmental Protection Agency Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act/Chemical Safety and Security meeting virtually on November 18-19, 2020.
- Department Environmental Emergency Response staff continue to provide SEMA with all emergency response incidents reported to the Department, which are then considered for inclusion in SEMA's daily situational reports.
- Department staff attended and integrated in the listed homeland security activities in 2020. Due to COVID-19 recommendations, meetings past March 2020 have either been postponed or attended virtually.
 - Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee Meetings
 - Biosecurity Working Group Meetings
 - St. Louis Area BioWatch Advisory Committee Meeting



Missouri Department of Corrections (DOC)

The Missouri Department of Corrections has contributed in prevention, protection, mitigation and response during 2020. In the areas of prevention and protection, seven institutions received upgrades to their lethal fences with an entirely new system being implemented at Western Missouri Correctional Center. Back-up emergency generators were upgraded in Potosi, Bowling Green, and an entirely new system was placed in Moberly. All institutions within the department were upgraded to LED lighting during hours of limited visibility to increase the security posture inside the secure perimeter. All institutions updated and increased less lethal inventories for our armories.

In the area of mitigation, the Missouri Department of Corrections has continued to update and review all emergency plans, Continuity of Operations Plans, Response Team Policies, conduct MOSWIN training at all institutions, revise entry/exit policies, Security Threat Groups and upgrade Emergency Response Team equipment. Security audits will be completed of all departmental institutions by December of 2020. Efforts are still ongoing at each institutions to combat the spread of COVID-19 by use of Personal Protective Equipment and educating staff and offenders on the pandemic. Policies and procedures have been updated for the quarantining of staff and offenders who have close proximity to or an individual who contracts COVID-19.

In the area of response, the Missouri Department of Corrections assisted Kansas City and Columbia Police Departments by providing additional less than lethal munitions to these agencies during times of civil unrest within their jurisdiction. Additionally, transportation assets were provided to the Missouri Army National Guard in response to COVID-19 testing sites to ensure Guardsman had the necessary transportation to and from these sites.



Missouri Department of Mental Health (DMH)



DMH has been in response mode all of 2020. In January, the Office of Disaster Services started monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic and in March 2020, DMH had their first case within the DMH system. DMH stopped outside visitors at facilities and central office and started requiring masks in all DMH facilities/offices for those not able to telework. DMH staff have been actively involved in the response statewide with DMH facilities, community providers and agencies, and state and community partners. DMH facilities continue to use extreme cohorting and isolation to mitigate infections in staff, resident/consumers and facilities.

The DMH Office of Disaster Services closed out MO DR 4490 FEMA Crisis Counseling Grant in August 2020 after having reached 137,495 individuals, families and businesses/community partners in 26 counties due to tornados and floods. DMH stood up another FEMA Crisis Counseling Grant in response to the pandemic. As of November 9, 2020, the FEMA Crisis Counseling Grant, known as Show Me Hope, has reached over 3.5 million individuals, family and businesses/community partners across the state.

DMH developed and deployed Missouri's first ever Behavioral Health Strike Team (BHST). Members of the BHST worked at the Alternate Care Site (ACS) and Dignified Transfer Facility in St. Louis. BHST members helped patients, family members, medical staff, and National Guard members to understand the common stress reactions they may be experiencing due to the pandemic, those experiencing symptoms of depression and anxiety, those with fears of returning home, those with concerns for their families, and how to focus on wellness and self-care.

In June and July, DMH Office of Disaster Services (ODS) sponsored two Psychological First Aid Train the Trainer sessions and were able to train 47 Missourians around the state who can now deliver this training. DMH ODS also offered two trainings on Stress First Aid that were developed in response to COVID-19 and were able to train 392 Missourians.

DMH has participated in the Whole Community Planning Flood Recovery meetings, MO Mortuary (MOMORT) Fatality exercise, the Earthquake Summit and the State Integrated Preparedness meeting.

DMH ODS serves on several committees and workgroups to address mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery. These include: Access and Functional Needs, Children and Youth in Disasters, State Mass Care Committee, State VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster), The Governor's Faith-Based and Community Service Partnership for Disaster Recovery, State Continuity of Operations Planning, Victim Information Center (VIC) planning, Emergency Coalition Workgroup in partnership with the MO Behavioral Healthcare Coalition and Center for Education Safety.



Missouri National Guard (MONG)

COVID-19

The Missouri National Guard (MONG) conducted multiple responses in 2020 to provide support to interagency partners. The MONG provided support for the COVID-19 pandemic from Apr. 6 to Dec. 30. MONG deployed service members to support local food banks, support COVID-19 testing operations, conduct medical screenings, distribute school meals, conduct call center operations and provide data entry support. The MONG assisted in other support operations to include the dignified transfer and dignified care management of remains in St. Louis,



logistics and distribution of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and they facilitated the decontamination logistics of N-95 masks. The MONG partnered with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the State Emergency Management Agency, Missouri Office of Administration and local authorities to construct and staff an alternate care facility. Additionally, Service Members supported the interagency vaccine distribution planning group and participated in the state's Fusion Cell. Throughout the COVID-19 response, the Missouri National Guard continually provided essential support to interagency partners to best serve the citizens of Missouri.

Civil Unrest

The Missouri National Guard deployed soldiers multiple times in 2020 in support of Missouri civil protection operations in May, June, September, then again in November. Missouri National Guard personnel integrated into a multi-agency response team supporting the Missouri Highway Patrol, SEMA, and civil authorities' law enforcement efforts in St. Louis, Kansas City and Jefferson City to protect life and property as outside actors disrupted peaceful protests. Guard operations included security of critical infrastructure, security of key resources, providing a rapid response element and staffing entry control points. The MONG also deployed soldiers to the District of Columbia to support civil protection operations in June. The Guard's response consisted of presence patrols around the nation's capital to protect protesters from civilian traffic, while serving as a rapid response element for civil unrest throughout the district.



Other Initiatives

The MONG supported numerous prevention and mitigation efforts with interagency partners. The Guard's Cyber Team continued to coordinate with ESF-14 for meetings, training exercises and information sharing. The MONG Counter Drug Program assisted with seizures of property, drugs and money totaling \$256,117,476 and assisted in 267 arrests in FY2020. Throughout 2020, the Missouri National Guard executed and coordinated emergency response plans with interagency partners to protect the citizens of Missouri.



Missouri Department of Health & Senior Services (DHSS)

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) remains actively involved in planning, preparing, and exercising with Cooper Nuclear Station and Callaway Nuclear Plant. The departments' Rad/Chem Program continues to inspect spent nuclear fuel shipments that pass through the state. In cooperation with the Department of Natural Resources, the Rad/Chem program continues to pursue training first responders with Modular Emergency Response Radiological Transportation Training. The department also conducts training with responders involving basic radiological/nuclear emergencies. DHSS staff participate in a wide range of exercises and drills statewide related to Rad/Chem emergencies. As needed, DHSS staff integrate and provide support for the command structure and radiological monitoring for Incidents of National Significance.



Missouri Information Analysis Center (MIAC)

The Missouri Information Analysis Center (MIAC) continued to improve its capabilities and accomplished many of our goals in 2020. For example, we partnered with the Office of Homeland Security (OHS), the Kansas City Regional Fusion Center (KCRFC) and the Saint Louis Fusion Center (STLFC) to provide a 24/7 mechanism for Law Enforcement officers and the public to submit suspicious activity information. They have the ability to submit a suspicious activity tip via a smartphone app or through one of the fusion center's websites. The three Missouri fusion centers completed their second joint production of a statewide threat assessment that will be released by the end of 2020. The three fusion centers also participated in a Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) multi-day functional exercise which tested intelligence and information sharing across fusion centers and stakeholders in Missouri, Illinois, and Massachusetts. This exercise showed MIAC's strengths and also areas that could be improved on in the event a real-life terrorist attack would take place.

The MIAC's new website build was completed and has made a robust information sharing platform for law enforcement across the state. The cyber intelligence program has continued to develop and grow. The program will be a huge emphasis going forward for the MIAC to enhance protective measures for critical infrastructure in Missouri. A new initiative was developing a process with the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) National Threat Operations Center (NTOC) to set up a dissemination process for threats to lives received by the NTOC to local law enforcement. The initiative has allowed the MIAC to alert local law enforcement of reports of threats to lives on numerous occasions and provide analytical assistance to law enforcement when needed.

The MIAC has continued to train troopers and keep them updated on domestic terrorism issues as well as civil unrest tactics used across the country in 2020. The MIAC, KCRFC, STLFC, and the FBI produced a partnership to help train local law enforcement across the state who have partnered with the OHS Counter Terrorism Officer Program. The program's mission is to combat the domestic terrorism issue and have the ability to report suspicious activity to the fusion centers.



Kansas City Regional Fusion Center (KCRFC)

Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities funding has continued to play a crucial role in sustaining key information and intelligence operating systems, in providing training for KCRFC personnel, and in providing needed equipment to collectively maintain regional capabilities for the receipt, analysis, and dissemination of terrorism and threat information. As other entities have experienced, the COVID-19 pandemic has been challenging for the KCRFC and its homeland security initiatives. Due to the many restrictions as a result of the pandemic, many meetings, special event threat assessments, and training opportunities planned have been canceled or postponed. However, KCRFC personnel continue to focus their concerns and efforts on prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery on threats posed to the Kansas City region.

The following are some of the highlights the KCRFC has completed during this past year:

- Between October 1, 2019 and September 30, 2020, the KCRFC received 273 tips and leads regarding suspicious activity and threats of school violence, workplace violence, and violence with the potential of mass casualties. After vetting this information, KCRFC personnel disseminated that information to their applicable federal, state, and local partners to help mitigate them. While many of these tips and leads were generated by law enforcement as well as public and private sector partners, many also came from Missouri's Courage2Report School Safety Initiative Program, the new Missouri Fusion Centers SafeNation Suspicious Activity Reporting System, and the Greater Kansas City Crime Stoppers Tips Hotline.
- The KCRFC continued to partner with the Missouri Department of Public Safety (DPS) Office of Homeland Security (OHS), the Missouri Information Analysis Center (MIAC), and the St. Louis Fusion Center to advance cybersecurity protection efforts and the sharing of cyber threat information not only in KCRFC's area of responsibility (AOR) but throughout the State of Missouri.
- The KCRFC participated in monthly calls with the MIAC and the St. Louis Fusion Center to share trend and threat information and have collaborated with the Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP) and OHS regarding the Zone Officer Terrorism (ZTO) Program and the new OHS Counter Terrorism Officer (CTO) Program.
- The KCRFC worked jointly with the MIAC and the St. Louis Fusion Center on updating the Missouri Fusion Center Coordination Plan and completing the Missouri Statewide Threat Assessment.
- The KCRFC worked with regional and state partners in the completion of the Threat Hazard and Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA).
- The KCRFC provided personnel and intelligence to multiple law enforcement agencies within KCRFC's AOR during periods of civil unrest. This included many hours provided outside of KCRFC's normal operational hours.
- The KCRFC continued to work with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) on critical infrastructure outreach and assessments as well as continued to foster relationships with critical infrastructure, large venues, schools, local emergency services agencies, hospitals and many other community partners through ongoing outreach, tabletop exercise participation, and other forms of engagement.
- The KCRFC completed a memorandum of understanding with H&R Block to have a cybersecurity analyst work part-time within the KCRFC thereby enhancing the KCRFC's efforts in cybersecurity protection efforts and the sharing of cyber threat information. This is one of only a few private sector partnerships that exist within the 80 entities that make up the National Network of Fusion Centers.
- The KCRFC completed a Joint Special Event Threat Assessment with the FBI and deployed personnel to support the Kansas City Chiefs Super Bowl Victory Parade and Celebration.

Work continued with the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) in the implementation of the Complex Coordinated Terroristic Attack (CCTA) initiative utilizing homeland security grant funding. Again due to the pandemic, some of the CCTA efforts and exercises were canceled or postponed and this grant has been extended until next year as a result.

During 2020, the KCRFC primarily utilized LETPA funding to update existing technology to maintain capabilities. Additionally, funding provided for the continued utilization of equipment that allows KCRFC personnel to function and provide support off-site as well as respond to suspicious activity reporting and threats remotely after hours.



Missouri Department of Agriculture (MDA)

The Missouri Department of Agriculture (MDA) has been working and planning Missouri specific responses to foreign animal diseases such as African Swine-Fever, Foot and Mouth Disease, and High Pathogenic Avian Influenza, if they were to occur in the United States. MDA is working to implement Secure Food Supply Plans with Missouri livestock and poultry companies, packers, and producers to help secure the food supply chain in Missouri and nationwide.

MDA's Plant Pest Control and Seed Program coordinated with USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Plant Protection and Quarantine's (PPQ). Missouri State Plant Health Director (SPHD) to gather reports of unsolicited seeds being received by Missouri citizens. To date, the Missouri SPHD office has received 1,568 reports, including nearly 1,000 from MDA. PPQ scientists are working to identify the species of seeds and analyze for plant pathogens.

MDA is actively engaged with the Missouri Office of Homeland Security to identify COVID-19 related issues in the agriculture sector, especially meat and poultry processing plants. MDA continues to discuss with the Office of Homeland Security's Agro-terrorism brand about how the two agencies can collaborate on prevention, protection, and outreach to Missouri public safety partners.



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 2020 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

Jan 8	Region H	Jan 16	Region E
Jan 9	Region G	Jan 23	Region I
Jan 15	Region D	Jan 28	Region A

MOSWIN Trainings

January

- 9: West Plains Police Department
- 10: West Plains Police Department
- 31: Linn County Sheriff’s Office

February

- 25: Ripley County Ambulance
- 26: Ripley County Ambulance

March

- 3: Macon EMD & Health

June

- 22: Adair County Sheriff’s Office

July

- Cape Girardeau Southeast Missouri State University (2)
 - Virtual delivery
- Lebanon
 - Virtual delivery
- Holts Summit

August

- Osage Beach (2)
 - WebEx delivery

September

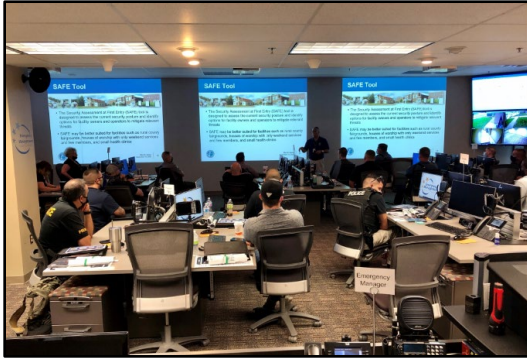
- Camdenton; on-site
- Mountain View (2)
 - WebEx delivery
- Cape Girardeau
 - WebEx delivery

October

- Jefferson City (2)



Missouri Office of Homeland Security (OHS)



The Missouri Office of Homeland Security is responsible for the administration of grants, programs and initiatives that support Missouri homeland security. Throughout 2020, 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.
- Operation Legend: Operation Legend provides funding to state and local law enforcement task forces to reduce violent crime by building federal cases against violent actors and their organizations.

OHS response to COVID-19 included, but is not limited to:

- Our Law and Fire Mutual Aid Coordinators assisted the Division of Fire Safety with the development and roll out of a first responder COVID-19 tracker for fire, law (to include jails) and EMS. The tracker identifies COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, and fatalities, amongst the first responder community.



- Law and Fire Mutual Aid Coordinators assisted SEMA with PPE requests and distribution to the regions. Messaging to fire and law regarding PPE resources and related topics.
- OHS helped coordinate a working group to gather data on the procurement timeline, vendor details and fit test results pertaining to the KN95 respirator recall situation.
- OHS Operations assisted SEMA in the hiring process for the DMAT Critical Reserve Unit for the alternate care sites. Several staff members processed applications, criminal history checks and reference checks for over 200 applicants.
- Stood up a Homeland Security Information Network (HSIN) Connect room for COVID-19 in cooperation with the MIAC for information sharing with homeland security partners. The room was monitored daily and provides intelligence and information to guests.
- Researched for cyber threats with regard to COVID-19 and contributed to a MIAC daily situation report which was shared with statewide law enforcement and homeland security partners to include RHSOC and cyber partners. Assisted with multiple phishing and network intrusions due to the COVID-19 situations and monitored social media for COVID-19 related protests and cyber incidents.



During the 2020 general election, OHS had the opportunity to assist the Missouri Secretary of State (SOS) office, specifically with cybersecurity infrastructure protection. Prior to and during the election OHS staff were assigned to SOS for monitoring purposes and to coordinate with state and federal officials. The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) was activated during the week of the election and OHS staff were assigned to Emergency Support Function (ESF)-14 to assist in the event that a cybersecurity incident occurred. OHS staff also monitored and maintained secure collaboration channels for real time information and intelligence sharing of any election related threat information.

In 2020, OHS was able to assist state and local agencies during the periods of civil unrest that occurred sporadically around the state. OHS utilized the Joint Situational Assessment Tool (JSAT) to consolidate confirmed protests locations in a mapping tool that allowed local and state entities to plan scheduled road work and transportation routes around these events. OHS also assisted local agencies with coordination of response supplies and mutual aid issues. OHS maintained a secure line of communication with state and local leadership and the fusion centers for real-time information and intelligence sharing, which assisted with law enforcement and emergency management command and control.

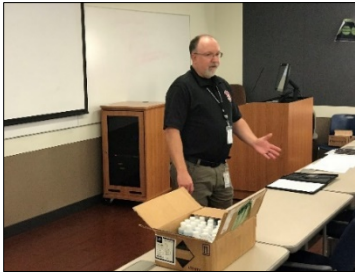
As required by the HSGP, OHS is responsible for the completion of the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) and the Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR) to help communities understand their risks and determine the level of capability they need in order to address those risks. Each region was requested to review their 2019 THIRA/SPR and submit any updates for the 2020 Missouri SPR submission to Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

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 2020, 34 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 from DPS/OHS to homeland security partners. A total of 1,435 Missouri homeland security partners were connected to the alert network as of December 1, 2020.

In support of the core capability information sharing, the office manages the Missouri Data Exchange (MoDEX) process. MoDEX is a statewide information sharing process 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 process in 2020. In 2020, MoDEX initiated a multi-year improvement plan that has achieved major cost savings, data flow efficiencies and allowed for additional data fields to be collected and shared within Missouri and nationwide.

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. In coordination with the Fire Mutual Aid Coordinator, the State Mutual Aid Plan was updated and revised for 2020. OHS supported the state's emergency management response by providing direct support to the Emergency Support Function – Public Safety and 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. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and civil unrest, no joint meetings were scheduled this year. The mutual aid system was utilized to coordinate the statewide PPE distribution.



In April 2020, the OHS established the Missouri Counter Terrorism Officer Program (CTO), in collaboration with law enforcement officers throughout the state. This program provides an advanced level of training in counter terrorism preparedness/response, large scale emergency preparedness, and intelligence gathering and sharing. There are 119 CTOs enrolled in the program from 84 agencies across the state. In September, regional trainings were offered to the CTOs as collaboration between the three Missouri fusion centers, the FBI, DHS and OHS. In preparation for phase 2, in-seat offerings for 2021 are being researched in collaboration with SEMA, with a 2 day capstone training tentatively scheduled for November, 2021. Recruitment for 2021 CTO class will begin in the fourth quarter of 2020.

The office continues to serve as the administrator for the Homeland Security Information Network (HSIN), a secure network for homeland security mission operations to share sensitive but unclassified information. OHS is in the process of redesigning the state's communities of interest (COIs) within HSIN. The design is intended to make the portal more user friendly, optimize functionality, and provide relevant resources to our Missouri homeland security partners. 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.

OHS composed the Joint Situational Awareness Tool (JSAT) dashboard within the DHS geospatial information infrastructure (GII) portal. The JSAT is available to all approved HSIN users and participating fusion centers. The tool is utilized in Suspicious Activity Reporting, Special Event Assessment Rating, and infrastructure reporting and threat analysis. It also includes a CTO group dashboard that may be utilized by the CTO officers and a Master Inventory group that maps the homeland security master inventory list.

OHS, in partnership with the three Missouri fusion centers, Kansas City Regional Fusion Center (KCRFC), Missouri Information Analysis Center (MIAC), and the St. Louis Regional Fusion Center (STLFC), launched a new tool in 2020 to instantly report suspicious activity. SafeNation is a mobile, suspicious activity reporting application that allows citizens to submit anonymous reports that pertain to potentially suspicious activity observed, known or suspected. SafeNation is now available to the citizens of Missouri for download (free) in the Apple Store and Google Play. Submitted tips will be routed and addressed by the Missouri fusion centers within their area of responsibility.

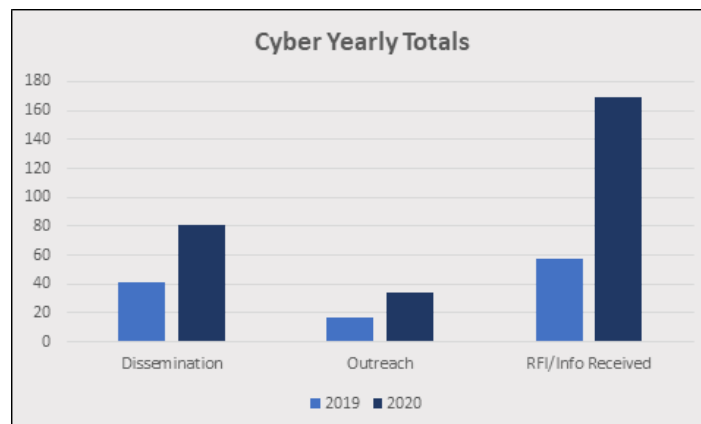


In 2019, OHS was designated by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security as a state administrator for the Infrastructure Protection Gateway Program. Access to the system allows homeland security and critical infrastructure partners the ability to identify, analyze and manage risk involving critical infrastructure to better protect Missouri. The OHS continues to work with federal, state and local partners regarding the collection of Infrastructure data.

The OHS Cybersecurity Specialist serves as a liaison between local, state and federal partners. The Cybersecurity Specialist shares cybersecurity information from the federal and state governments to the locals; the Missouri cybersecurity distribution list has 241 vetted recipients at the time of this report. 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 continues to collaborate with the Missouri State Highway Patrol – Criminal Justice Information Sharing Cyber Analyst, the Missouri Information Analysis Center (MIAC), the St. Louis Fusion Center, and the Kansas City Regional Fusion Center (KCRFC) to disseminate cyber information, collect reporting from the field, and produce and disseminate the Monthly Cyber Open Source Intel Wrap-Up. During COVID-19, the Cybersecurity Specialist has worked with cybersecurity professionals from around the world in private, state, federal, and local sectors to combat and mitigate cyber vulnerabilities to hospitals and testing labs working to mitigate the coronavirus. The Cybersecurity Specialist also joined a team comprised of private, state, local, and federal sectors to protect election integrity in Missouri and mitigate cyber threats to Missouri’s election infrastructure. In 2020, the Cybersecurity Specialist has disseminated multiple cybersecurity awareness emails to the RHSOC and cyber distribution list; as well as, assisting with a volume of cyber research for potential cyber incidents. Lastly, the cybersecurity specialist has participated in numerous outreach opportunities; virtual and in-person.

From January 1, 2020 to (12/16/2020) present, OHS Cybersecurity activity includes:

- Outreach - 34
- Dissemination - 81
- Cyber Requests/Information Received - 169



- ESF-14 Progress- 100% complete and submitted to SEMA
- State Cyber Incident Response Plan - In Progress
- Training, Planning and Exercise Activity:
 - January - Met with Missouri Cybersecurity Center of Excellence (MCCOE)
 - February - Met with utilities for cybersecurity awareness training
 - March - Continued to collaborate with the Missouri National Guard reference Missouri Cyber Key Terrain/Cyber CIKER
 - May – OHS Cybersecurity Specialist, in coordination with Missouri’s 3 Fusion Centers, hosted the second webinar in our MO Fusion Centers and FireEye Webinar Series
 - July – Partnered with Jason Rincker with Stronghold Data to host The COVID-19 & Cybersecurity Webinar
 - September – Cybersecurity Overview webinar for MIAC (Intelligence Liaison Officers) ILOs
 - October - Continued the partnership with Jason Rincker with Stronghold Data to present a webinar for county officials and community leaders
 - November - Elections Security Planning
 - December – State Cyber Exercise Planning

As stated in the FY2020 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), recipients and subrecipients for the FY2020 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) and Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) awards are required to complete the 2020 Nationwide Cybersecurity Review (NCSR) by the end of the calendar year 2020 to benchmark and measure their progress of improving their cybersecurity posture. The Nationwide Cybersecurity Review (NCSR) is a no cost, anonymous, annual self-assessment that is designed to measure gaps and capabilities of state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) governments’ cybersecurity programs. The 2020 NCSR is open from August 1, 2020 and must be completed no later than December 15, 2020. The NCSR 2019 results will be used in the state threat assessments.

In addition to the successes previously listed, throughout 2020 OHS contributed to the following:

- Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) programs in the Kansas City and St. Louis areas.
- Submission of Missouri special events for the 2021 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:
 - National Governors Association – Governor’s Homeland Security Advisory Council
 - Missouri Biosecurity
 - St. Louis Area BioWatch Advisory Committee
 - FEMA RVII State & UASI Preparedness Call
 - Missouri Domestic Terrorism Working Group
 - FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force, emergency response exercises
 - Fusion center collaboration calls
 - National School Safety Alliance Work Group
 - State Emergency Management Agency planning meetings
- OHS disseminated 210 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)

The Missouri State Highway Patrol, like many other state agencies, has had a year unlike any other. This past year has tested every division of the Patrol and continues to challenge us today. While challenging, the Patrol has learned from our experiences and will ultimately be stronger in the future.

The Patrol continues to be an active partner with agencies on all levels of government, as well as private entities. Patrol representatives continue to participate in all aspects of emergency response, from prevention to recovery. Specifically, the Patrol has worked closely with other law enforcement partners to plan, secure, and strengthen the response to port security incidents, complex coordinated terrorist attacks, natural disasters, and periods of civil unrest.

To support state law enforcement's response to civil unrest, the Patrol has teamed up with the Center for Domestic Preparedness (CDP) to export several of their courses to Missouri. These courses provide guidance and training geared towards the mitigation and response to civil unrest incidents. The Patrol has continued to develop and grow the Interdiction for the Protection of Children course as well as our instructor cadre. The Patrol delivers this course to law enforcement agencies across the state. Both of these initiatives are supported by funds made available from the SHSP.





St. Louis Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI)

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St. Louis Regional Collaboration and Coordination

Across a calendar year that has included a once-in-a-century international pandemic, market increases in cyber threats and the STARRS region continues the ongoing multi-year process of preparedness and response, 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) programs through planning, equipment purchases, training, and exercise activities. CERT Training and exercises will serve as an integral part in developing the procedures and familiarity with use of the equipment and plans across all disciplines. This initiative will also review the areas for improvement identified in the State Preparedness Report (SPR).

St. Louis Regional Complex, Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) Program

The St. Louis Regional CCTA has completed a robust schedule of activities since beginning the program in August 2018, and preparedness activities will continue through 2021.

Five discipline specific CCTA operational guides completed development and were then cycled through functional exercises and operational drills. Local, state, and Federal partners in MO and IL 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 were also developed for the Regional CCTA Response Guide for six additional disciplines, including public information.

In January 2020, STARRS hosted the Fusion Center “Hunter Seeker” Intelligence and Information Sharing Functional Exercise. A 4-day exercise focused on validating information sharing between critical nodes in the Information Sharing Environment, participants included state and local fusion centers and their local, regional, state, territorial, and federal partners. This exercise focused on testing existing formal and informal plan, procedures, and workflows for intelligence and information exchange each day for each state:

- Steady State
- Crisis State
- Sustained Crisis State
- Return to Steady State

Stakeholder Groups that participated include, six Fusion Centers across three states, the local offices of the FBI, regional Law Enforcement, Fire and EMS, Hospital and Healthcare, Public Health, Public Works, Emergency Management, and the Private Sector.

Additionally, despite the imposition of COVID-19 on in-person activities, STL Stakeholders participated in more than two dozen planning, training, and strategic discussions about CCTA in the region.

As a result of CCTA related planning activities, an initiative to develop and enhance interstate mutual aid between MO and IL 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 10 Missouri counties (Franklin, Jefferson, Lincoln, Pike, St. Charles, St. Louis City, St. Louis County, St. Francois, Warren, and Washington counties) 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 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 assists with meeting facilitation, equipment procurement, emergency planning, conducting exercises, and general grant administration. Grant funding is provided from 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 (SHSP), Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant.

Additionally, the STL-HCC has been extraordinarily active in the COVID-19 response in the state and region. Some activities include:

- 3x per week calls with the St Louis Medical Operations Center (SMOC), which brings together members from the hospitals, public health, EMS, EMA, Long-Term care and State partners to share information and conduct planning activities. At the beginning of the activation, these calls were held daily.
- SMOC representation in the regional Multi Area Command (MAC) structure and EOC operations
- Planning team for the regional Mass Casualty activation (Dignified Transfer Center, which alleviated pressure on hospital morgues), and Alternate Care Site operation
- Regional PPE ordering for healthcare and first responders
- Participation in the STL Pandemic Task Force for operations and vaccine distribution planning. Currently members of the STL-HCC are active in creating the hospital plans for Phase 1 (hospital vaccine delivery) and are leading the planning efforts for Phases 2 and 3 (public distribution) in coordination with the Regional CRI Coordinator.
- Planning efforts are underway for hospital Crisis Standards of Care and Load Balancing operations.
- Participating in daily State Fusion Cell calls for COVID-19 response
- Weekly calls with DHSS, Missouri Hospital Association, and Mid America Regional Council to share COVID-19 plans, information, and state operations.

The St. Louis Regional Cyber Security Initiative

Originating in 2018, the region's cybersecurity initiative continues to grow under the Regional Cybersecurity Coordinator's leadership. Captain Derek Rieger, operating from the St. Louis Fusion Center, has increased the projects available, as well as the skills and toolsets by appropriately applying cybersecurity training and grant funded purchases.

Coordinator's knowledge and skillsets in cybersecurity was increased through SANS cybersecurity training with

classes specific to: Threat and Vulnerability Assessment, Intelligence (OSINT) Gathering & Analysis, and Hacker Tools and Incident Handling. In addition to the training, the Coordinator is pursuing GIAC cybersecurity certifications related to these topics.

Additionally, with the success of the August 2019 FEMA Virtual Cybersecurity Tabletop exercise, a second virtual cybersecurity tabletop exercise is scheduled for January 2021, with the new exercise's scenario being St. Louis based and specifically built for St. Louis participants. Planning and coordination on this event have occurred throughout 2020. The Coordinator also provided a cybersecurity update to East-West Gateway Council of Governments Annual Meeting attendees through creation of a cybersecurity presentation and panel discussion that included cybersecurity experts from the State of Missouri (DPS) and the US Department of Homeland Security (CISA).

In the last year, the region has added powerful tools and capabilities not previously available, including the addition of new cybersecurity tools, including:

- A wireless auditing device that scans critical infrastructure physical sites to detect unauthorized electronic communications. The device can also be used as a direction-finder allowing you to physically locate the offending device for removal.
- A cyber risk scoring and management system. This system evaluates and monitors critical infrastructure web-domains in the region, providing notifications of changes to their risk status. This system has already been put to good use within the region by improving cybersecurity at several agencies through identified issues.
- A web application vulnerability testing software, which provides insights related into critical vulnerabilities found in web sites. These insights and suggested re-mediations can then be shared with IT staff for addressing.
- A phishing campaign program. It gives the region a powerful tool to help protect against phishing attacks and malware by providing awareness and training to staff. The program provides important data on end-user behavior relative to susceptibility of phishing attacks.
- A network vulnerability scanner that is used to identify vulnerable host on a network. This scanner has become a de facto standard for scanning for and removing vulnerabilities from computer systems.
- A forensics and investigative tool designed to searches social media and other open-source media for threat and bad actor information, which can provide key information related to "connecting the dots" during investigations.

While the Cybersecurity Initiative is still in its initial phases in support of the region's cybersecurity stance, it has made significant strides for 2020 in both expertise and tools availability. This progress is expected to continue in the coming years as an additional staff person is added to the Cybersecurity Initiative team, along with additions to cybersecurity training and toolsets.

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 education opportunities.

One example of the collaborative, informed work the Fusion Center performs is their central role in terrorism mitigation, working cooperatively with the Federal Bureau of Investigation 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.

St. Louis Regional Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) and Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR)

As a part of the UASI grant, STARRS stakeholders participated in several virtual workshops over the year. These workshops included the assessment of current capabilities, capability gaps, and opportunities for growth in the 15 core capabilities required for assessment this year. During each THIRA/SPR Workshop, participants were asked to reflect on needed resources to reduce gaps in each capability. This included sustainment and growth opportunities in planning, organization, equipment, training, and exercise (POETE).

This year, stakeholder groups were tasked with understanding regional gaps at the strategic level as it relates to FEMA scoring for grants. This modified, more robust THIRA/SPR approach will lead to a greater strategic regional road map, with the intent of reflecting high scores on projects submitted to DHS/FEMA for funding.

Additionally, the St. Louis Region added Flood as a potential hazard to the THIRA. This increased the St. Louis Regional hazards to a total of 12. The final THIRA/SPR will be completed in December and submitted to the Missouri Office of Homeland Security and entered in the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) online through FEMA's Prep Toolkit in support of the statewide THIRA-SPR report.



Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT)

The Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) continues to be actively engaged in the emergency preparedness, prevention, mitigation, response and recovery programs for Missouri.

The Department leads the Emergency Support Function for Transportation (ESF-1) during SEOC exercises and activations. MoDOT also continues to be the lead agency for the State's Infrastructure Recovery Support Function (RSF).

Recovery from damage to the state's transportation infrastructure is still underway from numerous years of flooding and tornadoes. Several resilience projects are currently being constructed in collaboration with Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to help reduce future recovery timelines due to impacts of flooding. MoDOT continues to explore mitigation opportunities related to hazards posed to the state's transportation system.

The department participated as a member of the Flood Recovery Advisory Working Group (FRAWG) which examined current river management activities and proposed strategies to address flood related issues.

COVID-19 response and planning has consumed most of 2020. Since March, MoDOT began identifying emerging issues related to the disease and implemented measures to address the impacts. A formal incident management structure and policy group was established, strategies for the continuity of operations for critical functions were implemented, and guidelines were established to protect employees. MoDOT continues to partner with SEMA, supporting warehousing and supply distribution throughout the pandemic.

In February, MoDOT participated on a panel discussion related to earthquake preparedness during the 2nd annual Earthquake Summit which took place in Poplar Bluff.

MoDOT hosted multiple NIMS ICS 300 and 400 courses during the first quarter of 2020; state agency partners were invited to participate in the training. In addition, numerous Traffic Incident Management training courses were held across the state with local response agencies.

In October, MoDOT participated in the Mutual Aid Tabletop Exercise hosted by SEMA in collaboration with other state and local partners to focus on mutual aid across multiple jurisdictions and disciplines. MoDOT also participated in the DCO/E Region VII Certification Exercise in October with FEMA and Mo National Guard.

In November, MoDOT staffed the ESF-1 function for a level 3 activation of the SEOC during the Presidential election.

Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee Highlights



Region A

A (Rural)

RHSOC Chair: Les Boatright (816) 229-1313
RHSOC Vice Chair: Tony Day (660) 229-2081
Regional Planning Commission: Pioneer Trails RPC
802 S Gordon Street, Concordia, MO 64020

Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission completed all FY2018 projects funded by the SHSP and is currently working on the completion of FY2019 projects. Saline County EMA has put their light tower to good use, this was purchased with FY2019 funds. The new light tower was deployed for use for COVID-19 testing and has also been deployed to be used in Lafayette County for the Lexington Fire Department for training operations.

Region A Rural is now working on completing inventory of over 200 items for use in their 8 county area. Equipment to be purchased for FY2020 will be new MOSWIN radios for local police and fire departments.



A (Urban)

RHSOC Chair: Stephen Arbo (816) 969-1023
RHSOC Vice Chair: Jim Connelly (816) 513-8601
Metropolitan Statistical Area: Mid-America Regional Council
600 Broadway Boulevard #200, Kansas City, MO 64105

During the 2020 calendar year, Region A Urban continued collaborative efforts to increase readiness for a range of incidents and mobilized in response to COVID-19, multiple day civil disturbances and other events.

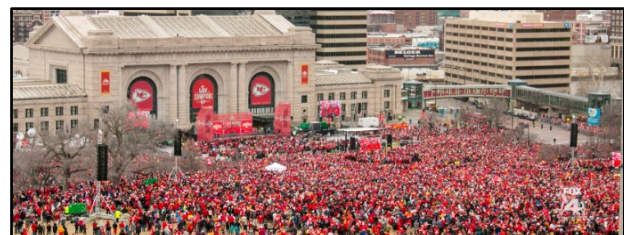
Key accomplishments are summarized below:

PREVENTION:

- Helped sustain the bi-state regional fusion center operations – a regional strategy to increase information sharing amongst all homeland security prior to and during an incident to receive, analyze and disseminate terrorism and related security information to avoid, prevent, or stop a threatened or actual act of terrorism. See the separate fusion center report for additional information.
- Significant outreach was conducted to special event venues to raise awareness of the risks, make linkages to local agencies, and provide resources to increase venue preparedness around reporting suspicious activity and protective actions. Together the region developed a local outreach training KCRReady, and provided several train the trainer offerings to train local instructors.
- The Region developed a regional public outreach campaign identified as KCRReady. The kickoff was delayed due to COVID-19 in the region.

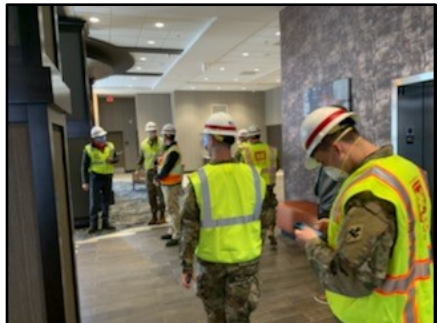
PROTECTION:

- The MONG and local LE provided protection for citizens, civilian property, and government structures during events of civil unrest that turned into violent riot situations.
- Provided local CTRT Training (Counter Terrorism Response Training), training additional local agency instructors and sending key personnel to advanced training.
- Cybersecurity — Developed and implemented a cybersecurity plan for the regional 911 system, continued to share information received with stakeholders.



MITIGATION:

- Revised and completed the Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan. The plan has been adopted by jurisdictions and approved by the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).
- Public Safety PPE Distribution - Worked with SEMA on the acquisition and distribution of PPE for Region A public safety personnel. Region A distribution of PPE was the responsibility of the KCMO – Office of Emergency Management who continues to distribute PPE to the 13 Region A counties.
- Healthcare PPE Distribution - Health department personnel and the Region A HCC received hundreds of requests for assistance with PPE. Health & Senior Services set up an online process to make requests. PPE for health care workers was provided in the state of Missouri by Health and Human Services from the Strategic National Stockpile.
- The region (MACC) through MARC set up cooperative purchasing contracts for PPE, services to augment local efforts.
- Continued to develop the Community Disaster Resource Network (CDRN) — Partnered with agencies that serve vulnerable populations to increase their organizational preparedness in disasters, with a particular focus on children and youth, older adults, long-term care facilities and interfaith networks. The CDRN mobilized in response to COVID-19 and helped form new policies and procedures for childcare facilities. Webinars and focus groups brought agencies together to share knowledge, resources and concerns. Through these actions, agencies have new insight on how to handle infectious disease issues. The CDRN helped facilities access PPE, address staffing issues and support testing. Connected agencies with local health departments and emergency managers and gave them the ability to get to the resources they needed. Helped with meal delivery, transportation, testing and mental health issues, resource donations and rumor control. Set up an outreach program that connects children with older adults, through a letter writing program. The Interfaith Preparedness Advisory Group (IPAG) helped.
- Transitioned exercises to virtual online setting in response to COVID-19. Worked with multidiscipline leadership to reschedule canceled courses, adjust to accommodate physical distancing or reprogram funds. Exercises have included a community organization CDRN exercises, Kansas City International and Wheeler Airport exercises, pandemic response, along with friends and family resource center exercise. Some of the training topics included Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attacks, Resource Management, Critical Asset Risk Management, Incident Support Team development, Bio Preparedness, Friends and Family Resource Centers. The regional 911 program implemented online



training and offered 18 classes. Created customized 40-hour basic online course to ensure state-level minimum training guidelines are met. Implemented learning management system to deliver and track online training.

RESPONSE:

- At the onset of the pandemic in mid-March, the MARC Region elected officials, Health Department officials, and Emergency Management personnel, state and federal partners developed plans on how to slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus. These responses included communications and measures encouraging/requiring face covering, social distancing, limiting social gathering, and increasing personal hygiene. The governmental response also included the closing of churches, restaurants, and in person sporting events.
- During the pandemic, EOC's were activated across the region to aid in the coordination of responses, and logistical support. The EOC's were also activated to support forward operations in dealing with riots and civil unrest that occurred during the pandemic. During the civil unrest multiple law enforcement agencies across the region provided assistance.

Multiagency Coordination System — In response to COVID-19, the region stood up the Multi-Agency Coordination System (MACS), including the Multi-Coordination Group (MACG) policy level representatives from jurisdictions and disciplines including local officials in the impacted area and MACS, operational level representatives who meet regularly to enable cross-jurisdictional and cross-agency public private situational awareness, develop a regional common operating picture and to see and understand trends, identify needs and provide resource support and work together to improve circumstances. Through these efforts a regional hub has been developed, testing expanded, cooperative purchasing contracts established for contact tracing support services for isolation and quarantine and additional outreach effort to vulnerable populations. MARC and Regional Association of Public Information Officers (RAPIO) have worked with community organizations to amplify important messages. A survey on COVID-19 attitudes to shape public messaging was conducted. Updated PrepareMetroKC.org as central source of information for residents. The Health Care Coalition (HCC) serves as the ESF-8 section of the MAC. The Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD) was activated and supported ESF-6 activities.

- The HCC hospital representative and local emergency managers worked with the US Corps of Engineers to identify locations that could be used as "Alternative Care Facilities" should the current number of hospital facilities be exceeded by the number of affected persons by COVID-19.
- Temporary housing facilities, i.e. Rodeway Inn in KCMO were secured for the region's homeless population showing COVID-19 symptoms. Facilities were setup in Wyandotte, Leavenworth, and Johnson counties in Kansas.
- The Salvation Army set up a care facility for COVID-19 positive homeless persons not requiring hospitalization.
- The President declared the COVID-19 pandemic a national disaster. Special funding was established "CARES ACT" for COVID-19 response expenses. FEMA assigned a disaster number DA-4490 to the pandemic, thereby making Public Assistance Funding available for COVID-19 related expenses.
- Non-governmental organizations (NGO's) such as Harvesters, area churches, Salvation Army, etc., provided food and other personal products to citizens affected by the pandemic.
- Completed annual updates to the Civil Disturbance Response Plan; ESF-8 Public Health and Medical Services annex which includes the Health Care Coalition Preparedness and Response Plan and drafted a pediatrics annex; and Regional Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan. Continued updates to the

Regional Coordination Guide to address issues identified in CCTA work. Launched study of emergency services communications across all disciplines and platforms.

- RHSCC approved Integrated Preparedness Plan, which combines strategic plan, training and exercise plan, and purchasing plan into a single document.

RECOVERY:

- Worked with area school superintendents to develop regional guidance around COVID-19 school reopening and operations in conjunction with public health agencies.
- In response to COVID-19, convened and coordinated organizations to address the needs in the economic, housing, social services, health services, and other sectors. Applied available resources to mitigate the impact of the threat and accelerate recovery process.
- Supported a partnership among Local Initiative Support Corporation (LISC), United Way of Greater Kansas City, the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation and MARC to support fund development and allocation of a COVID-19 Community Response and Recovery Fund. The Community Fund awarded approximately \$14 million to over 200 organizations with a focus on supporting food insecurity, essential hygiene and baby supplies, physical and mental health services, housing stability, digital access and public health.
- Gained understanding of how CARES ACT funding is being invested across the region.

INVESTMENTS AND DEPLOYMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY PURCHASED EQUIPMENT OR INITIATIVES:

- During this time homeland security investments helped sustain badging and accountability system, minimal hazmat capability with access, KCRMORG readiness, technical rescue training and WebEOC.
- Additionally, the regional 911 Program secured \$800,000 from the state of Kansas and Missouri to upgrade the microwave system that supports the 911 system. Implemented a new process for online reporting of monthly 911 call data by PSAP, county, state and call delivery type and installed new IP-based selective routers that will prepare the Regional 911 System to route 911 calls and receive and store photos and videos.
- During the activation of EOC's WebEOC and the Salamander Identification System were utilized. Additionally, prior years' homeland security investments were deployed as appropriate - Technical rescue equipment, bomb and arson and tactical vehicles, robots, etc.



Region B

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RHSOC Vice Chair: Mike Kindle (660) 385-1911

Regional Planning Commission: Mark Twain Regional Council of Governments
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Throughout the past year, Region B has purchased equipment, assisted communities with navigating the COVID-19 pandemic, maintained an inventory of over 800 items throughout 16 counties, as well as various other activities to support the Region B RHSOC. Equipment purchased during the last year included radios for emergency personnel, equipment to support ID badging in the region, fire bunker gear and related PPE, ballistic plates and helmets, powered air purifying respirator (PAPR) kits, satellite voice and data services and technical support items for emergency response vehicles, HAM Radio Go-Kits, and a fully equipped command trailer deployable for a variety of emergencies including terroristic events, shootings, searches, hazardous material events, train/boat/mass transit emergencies, etc., that will also provide sheltering and command/control resources.



The Hannibal Fire Department Hazardous Materials Team utilized equipment purchased with Region B RHSOC funds when addressing a semi accident on Marion County Route MM in August 2020 (pictured left). The equipment included a large hazmat trailer w/ tractor, photoionization detector (PID) - air monitoring devices, self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), and Level B hazmat suits.



Region C

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Boonslick Regional Planning Commission collaborated with Region C to complete the eight 2018 SHSP funded projects for MOSWIN radios, MOSWIN upgrades, badging printer materials and a communications trailer rehabilitation. For 2019 funding, progress was made towards completing the eight funded projects. Five projects including MOSWIN upgrades, small unmanned aircraft and badging printer materials were nominated for the 2020 funding cycle and are pending approval as of year-end. Region C completed the transfer of a utility to Washington County Central Dispatch and a Mobile Command Center from Lincoln County Fire Protection District to Pike County Sheriff's Department. The Nationwide Cybersecurity Review was also completed for the five 2020 funded projects and we ended the year with all positions filled in the 14 disciplines and Chair/Vice-Chair positions.





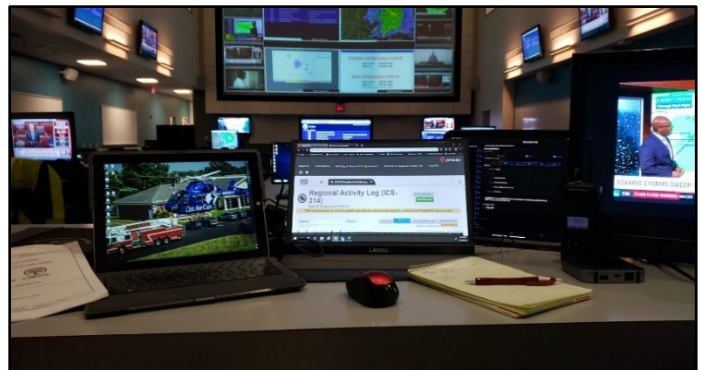
Region D

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Regional Planning Commission: Southwest MO COG
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The Southwest Missouri Incident Support Team (IST) started 2020 in training. Several members attended the National Incident Management System Train-the-Trainer course at SEMA. This rare course provides our leadership the opportunity to deliver training within the region for ICS courses. Members also assisted the Region C IST with management support for the All-Hazard Incident Management Teams Association (AHIMTA) conference held in St. Louis. Our participation allowed the members to attend the training at no cost to the team or the RHSOC.

Missouri Incident Management System (MIMS) committee collaboration focused on the logistical needs of each team. Southwest IST received just over \$2,000 EMPG funds from SEMA which purchased several equipment items to fill out the recommended supply cache. A secondary project was started to overhaul the Southwest IST logistics trailer. The Battlefield Fire District has supported these improvements which included rewiring, upgrading braking systems, and most excitedly the infill of the trailer. The interior system of the trailer will now convert from a supply trailer to a small field command post. Donations supported the project which is expected to be completed by the end of 2020.

All secondary actions of the team stopped March 17th, 2020. The initial COVID-19 response request came from the Springfield/Greene County Office of Emergency Management. The team provided up to 5 personnel at the EOC through April 10th, 2020.



In addition to the OEM response, the IST partnered with the Missouri Division of Fire Safety, Fire Mutual Aid, and the Logan-Rogersville Fire Protection District to provide a Point of Distribution for Personal Protective Equipment to Region D for fire and law agencies. The Springfield/Greene County OEM assisted with personnel and location coordination. The group established and maintained contact with every county in the region completing needs assessments and distribution of valuable PPE. We are grateful to the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds for facilities and the Convoy of Hope which provided transportation on several occasions to retrieve PPE supplies from Jefferson City. Each agency involved in the PPE distribution in Region D, did so without any funding or logistical support beyond the SEMA warehouse.



Southwest IST was requested in June to support the Missouri Disaster Medical Assistance Team (DMAT). This deployment provides at least one planner to support the DMAT command team. This mission continues and we anticipate supporting them through the end of 2020. Deputy Team Lead Ben Bonner has been instrumental as the Team Liaison for this deployment which has included a collaboration with Region C IST and includes sixteen team members deployed to support DMAT.

The MIMS advisory group continues to communicate. We have elected to postpone meeting until 2021. The recent long-term deployments have provided each team with several opportunities to complete position specific task books. We are anticipating the approval process of these in 2021. We are also anticipating a high need for position specific training as many have learned how to function in new areas.

We have been honored to assist so many Missourians throughout 2020 but we are hopeful for recovery soon. The Southwest Missouri Incident Support Team looks forward to reviewing the processes COVID-19 has forced us to develop. We also continue to stand ready to respond wherever we may be needed. Thank you for your continued support of the Southwest Missouri Incident Support team.

GREENE COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

The world continues to face the most unprecedented global pandemic in recent history. Given this, 2020 has become an anomaly in what would otherwise be a normal year of activity. With activities being cancelled or curtailed, and social distancing and remote operations becoming the norm; the typical use and response of regional equipment has been dramatically affected.

While not specifically related to equipment/services purchased by the RHSOC, our office has worked directly with state law enforcement and fire mutual aid coordinators in Region D for over six months to warehouse and distribute thousands of pounds of PPE for COVID-19.

MOCERT1

2020, the year of COVID-19, brought our plans to host the 2020 National Citizen Emergency Response Team (CERT) Conference in Springfield to a halt but not to an ending. The 2021 National CERT Conference will be held in July of 2021 and remain in Springfield. We currently have over 250 CERTS from all over the nation registered for this conference and look for it to reach over 400. MOCERT1 is the lead in bringing the organization of this conference together.

In February, we received an invite to come and teach the leaders of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Southwest Missouri area. We held these CERT classes in Carthage and Monett. Our CERT instructors traveled (on their own dime) to these areas over two weekends to make this happen. CERT Leaders from Branson, Greene and Christian County co-taught.

Throughout the year we have been limited on our activities as the safety of our CERT members is a priority but that has not stopped them from stepping up when needed the most. MOCERT1 have been active in assisting with both Springfield and Christian County COVID-19 testing sites. The CERT Cargo Trailer in McDonald County has been used five times this year to help with testing. This project continues in Christian County until the end of the year. We could not be doing this without them. CERTs take the roles of assistants to the medical staff, runners, registration, check-in, set up and break down.

In April and May, the Christian County Health Department utilized CERTs in their office to take temperatures, ask entrance questions and direct the public to whatever department they needed. CERTs were also used during the June elections to monitor each and every person who came to vote by checking temps, encouraging hand washing and directing the flow of traffic.

In October, we were asked to teach again by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints leaders in the Springfield area. That class was held in Ozark at their church, again EXCELLENT instruction by our CERT instructors.

In October we held our first overnight Search and Rescue Class. Due to the fact that so many call outs for missing is during the night we felt the need to sharpen our skills. Thanks to Dennis Martin with MERCY for heading this up.

CERT classes have been limited due to social distancing but the exciting news is the introduction of the new FEMA Virtual Class for CERT where you take online classes virtually with a teacher then meet to do the hands on part of the course. Two of our teams are in the middle of testing this out to see how it may work during this COVID-19 time. There is also currently a CERT training class going on through the McDonald County school system teaching six teachers.

We have had no deployments in 2020 but consider our work with the COVID-19 clinics a deployment within our own communities.

As you can see in the photos, we utilize so much of what this grant has provided such as tents, vests, gear, shirts, hats, medical supplies for our training. As clinics continue CERTs will remain active assisting where needed.



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MOCERT1 HOURS							
	Volunteer Hours Total	Volunteers Worked	Community Service Events	Training Classes	Volunteers Trained	Meetings	Exercises
Number of Community Service Events			25				
Number of Community Hours	568						
Number of Volunteers		64					
Number of Trainings/Classes				20			
Number Volunteers trained					116		
Volunteer Hours	345						
VolTeach		5					
Deployments		0					
Volunteers on Deployment		0					
Meetings						22	
Volunteers Present (includes ZOOM)		110					
Meeting Hours							
Volunteer Hours	114						
COVID-19							
Volunteer Hours	873						
Volunteers Worked		40					
Exercises							2
Participants		20					
Volunteer Hours	266						
TOTAL HOURS	2081	239	25	20	116	22	2

SPRINGFIELD BOMB SQUAD

For 2020, as of 10/01/2020, the Springfield Fire Department’s (SFD) Bomb Squad has responded to sixty calls for service within Region D. The Bomb Squad has continued to provide Region D as its sole provider for prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery needs related to explosives and bombing scenarios. These continued efforts have been bolstered with the addition of new x-ray technology, diagnostic equipment, and the replacement of one bomb suit in the 2020 calendar year. These new pieces of equipment were purchased through RHSOC funding allocations. In addition to responding to calls for service, the SFD Bomb Technicians complete over three hundred twenty-eight hours of training per technician per year. The SFD Bomb Squad remains one of the busiest bomb squads in the State of Missouri.



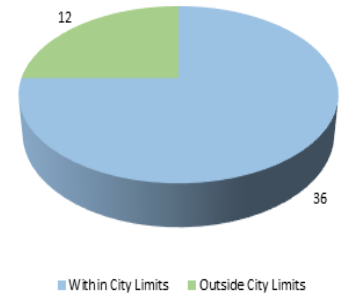
Primary SFD Bomb Response Unit



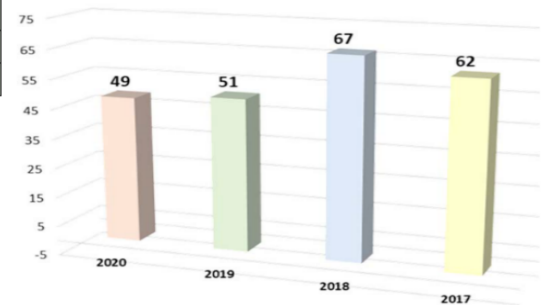
SFD Bomb Squad swept the starting line of the Springfield Turkey Trot

Bomb Squad – August 2020		In AHJ	Out of Area	YTD IN AHJ	YTD Out
241	Munitions or Bomb Explosion (No Fire)	0	0	1	0
243	Fireworks explosion (No Fire)	0	0	2	0
471	Explosive, Bomb Removal	0	0	0	0
721	Bomb Scare – No Bomb	0	0	10	3
4711	IED	1	1	3	5
4712	Hoax Device	0	0	1	0
4713/4714	Unattended/Suspicious Package	2	0	10	1
4715	Commercial Explosives Pick-up	1	0	2	2
4716	Military Ordnance Recovery	0	0	1	1
7211	Bomb Threat	0	0	3	0
553	Bomb Squad Public Service (Stand By)	0	0	0	0
611	Dispatched and cancelled enroute	0	0	2	0
622	No incident found on arrival	1	0	1	0
Total Calls		5	1	36	12

2020 Bomb Calls



Bomb Squad - YTD Comparison



Statistics through August 2020.
YTD comparison through August

SWAT TEAMS

Branson

Items obtained from RHSOC grants have been used a variety of times in this past year. We have continued to train as a team on a monthly basis with us only having to stop for one month (Feb) during COVID-19. In the last 12 months, our team has been activated 6 times. These activations were for 4 search warrants, 1 barricaded subject, and 1 homicide suspect. This last deployment for a homicide suspect required the use of the ballistic blanket, Bearcat, and other equipment from Springfield Police Department. The gas masks are carried on every operation and used last year on a multi-hour call of a barricaded subject in the attic of a large apartment complex. Equipment obtained by RHSOC is available to all trained team members and can be used in situations that don't require the team.

Joplin

We currently utilize the ballistic blanket and robot for our Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team. Our laptops were distributed for command staff use. As for deployments, we utilize the blanket on almost every callout (what we refer to as an Operation 100). That blanket is probably one of the most used pieces of equipment on the SWAT Team. We have had about 12 callouts in the last year. The robot was specifically used on 3 incidents. One was to search for a suicidal male in a park. Another time was for a suicidal person barricaded in a house. The robot was used to clear the residence. The other time was a suicidal male in a truck on a bar parking lot. The robot was used to get a visual in the vehicle, establish communication, and deploy stop sticks and chemical munitions. The laptops are deployed and are used on a daily basis. These allow command staff to have connectivity to our CAD system for active incidents and access to files on the agency's network.

SWIFTWATER RESCUE TEAMS

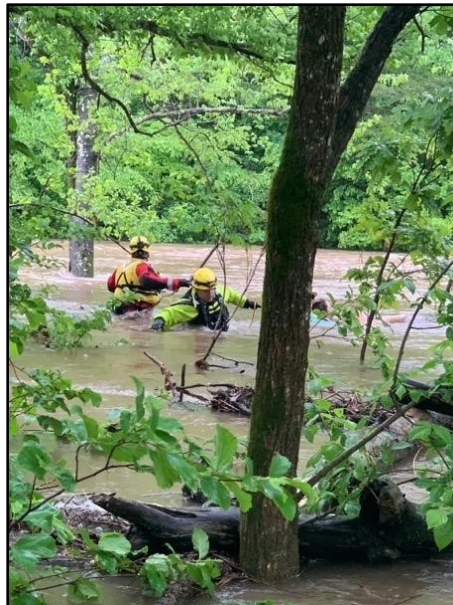
Joplin

- Boat 2 Responses (0)
- Boat 2 Training Hours (51)
- SWT Training Evolutions (41)
 - Boat Operator Training (8)
 - Ropes (5)
 - Night Operations (4)
 - SWT Refresher (9)
 - SWT Qualification Swim (15)
- Total Member Training Hours (738)
- SWT Team Responses
 - Emergency (8)
 - Total Operating Time (7.3 Hours)
 - Swift Water Rescue (6)
 - Rescue with EMS (1)
 - Search for Person in Water (1)
 - Non-Emergency (3)
 - Total Operating Time (1.7 Hours)
 - Public Assistance (1)
 - Swift Water Rescue (2)
- In District Responses (6)
- Mutual Aid Responses (5)

- Membership numbers did not decrease in 2020, however, we were unable to increase numbers due to the pandemic cancelling courses and suspending travel. All nine original members attended the above listed training.

Logan-Rogersville

- Responded to 17 incidents year-to-date, 10 of which were out of our district and mutual aid responses.
- Mutual aid provided to Nixa, Battlefield, Willard, Chadwick and Southern Webster County Fire Districts.
- Three additional personnel trained to the technician level for a team total of 11.
- Planning to budget and purchase second boat in early 2021.



Western Taney County

- Responded to 12 water rescue calls, 30% of which were assisting other agencies in the area.
- Twenty people received Rope CORE class.



Rescuing boy on Bull Creek.

STRUCTURAL COLLAPSE

Logan-Rogersville

- Continual training with specialized equipment and procedures.
- Sending new personnel to structural collapse training in spring of 2021.

Western Taney County

- In the spring we held a 40-hour structural collapse operations course for 12 people at our station 12 during February and March. During June we sent 8 people to Joplin to participate in their 40-hour structural collapse technician course.
- We responded to one partial structural collapse where a car drove into a house.
- With RHSOC funding we were able to replace our structural shoring equipment. The manufacturer of the equipment had stopped production and the sale of parts. The new system also makes us interoperable with the Springfield, Joplin and MO Task Force 1.

HAZ-MAT

Western Taney County

We continue to maintain and train on our current equipment. Fourteen people completed a Haz-Mat operation class in March. We had personnel signed up to receive Haz-Mat technician training in Anniston AL, however due to COVID-19 all classes have been cancelled.

WEBEOC

The Region D WebEOC System continues to perform well. We are happy to report no major system issues at all this calendar year.

In March, the State of Missouri appointed new WebEOC Administrator for the State of Missouri WebEOC system. In the two weeks of her appointment, we were actually able to repair the State of Missouri Fusion Server; which restored connectivity between the State of Missouri, Region D and Kansas City systems; and restore the availability of the Statewide Resource Request System.

During COVID-19, we have not been able to finish the repairs to the Incident Activity Log, or some of the other shared resources; but we now have a strong, working relationship to WebEOC at the State level.

As of October 9th, we are at 743 users on the Missouri Region D WebEOC System.

During COVID-19, we have seen 2,732 logins for the COVID-19 incident as well as 293 incident activity log entries. Also, 36 State of Missouri resource requests were entered into the Missouri Region D system and passed to the State of Missouri via Fusion Connection.

In addition, we have worked to support one county with video conferencing capabilities through the Region D WebEOC servers.

We are currently holding on any systems upgrades to avoid any unintended down time for the system that could affect operations.

As always, if there is a need for specialized support through the Region D WebEOC System, or training; please feel free to contact Jonathan Ayres at jayres@regiondwebeoc.org.

REGION D MULTI-AGENCY COORDINATION CENTER

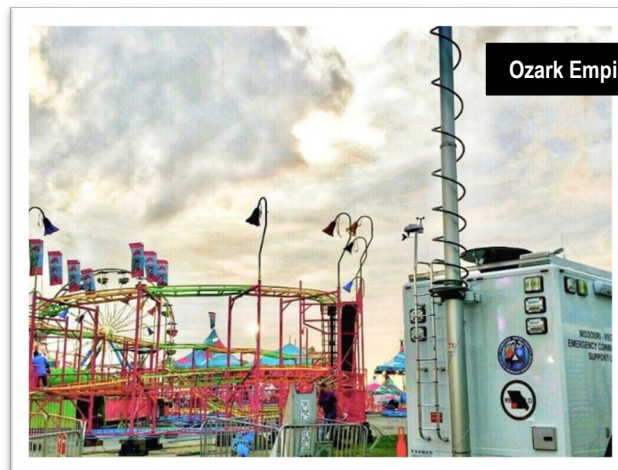
The Springfield-Greene County Office of Emergency Management continues to support the DMACC process, acting as the primary MACC for the region. In the past, the RHSOC has funded information technology, telecommunications and audio-visual components for the MACC. The Springfield-Greene County Office of Emergency Management continues to maintain and manage MACC capabilities. During the course of 2020, no MACC activation on behalf of the region has been requested.

REGION D COMMUNICATIONS VEHICLES

Greene County

The vehicle has supported the following local and regional events:

- Ozark Empire Fair: Providing onsite communications and public safety dispatch capabilities for this regional multi-day fair.
- Bass Pro Marathon: Providing onsite communications and public safety dispatch capabilities in conjunction with partner agencies.



Jasper County

The communications vehicle provided on-site communications support at the Multi-State Communications Exercise but has not been deployed since due to COVID-19.

Region D Command Support Unit

The Command Support Unit is owned by the Springfield-Greene County Office of Emergency Management with funds allocated by the RHSOC to purchase specified electronic components to assist with connectivity to the regional Communications Vehicle. The vehicle has supported numerous operations in previous years, however, due to COVID-19, it has not been utilized yet this year.

Pending: The City of Branson Police Department has requested the use of the platform for use during their large Christmas Parade activity in December 2020.

Region D Repeater Trailers

The repeater trailer stationed in Stone County was set up for the 2020 Fireburst Fireworks in Kimberling City on July 3. It tied together the three frequencies for the Fire, Police and Sheriff Departments.

ELLIOTT CREDENTIALING SYSTEM

Christian County Office of Emergency Management utilized the Elliott System every working day the office was open. Not only did it offer ID cards for staff but all First Responder Agencies in the County, Fire, Law, Health Department and County Employees. It also utilized the Elliott System with inventory both RHSOC grant related and office inventory. It is able to print off ID numbers to match up with each item in the database.

- Dade County used the Elliott System to make over 50 badges this past year.
- McDonald County Emergency Management has used the Elliott System to make badges this past year. It has made over 50 identification cards and commission cards. It has purchased a new laptop for the system and paid the license fee for this year to keep it active.
- Taney County used the Elliott System on a countywide daily basis. It provides badges for all county employees, the volunteer fire departments, and smaller municipalities' police, fire, and staff.

HAM RADIOS

St. Clair County amateur radio (HAM) radio was used quarterly to test communications for VHF/UHF and once to test for HF this year.

McDonald County HAM Radios were used for training during two exercises with health department staff. We have two ham radio operators that use these radios during exercises.



Region E

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Region E continues to support the Regional Homeland Security Response Team (HSRT), with units in Sikeston, Cape Girardeau and Jackson. The team, which can be deployed locally, state-wide and nationally, recently upgraded their air monitors for Chemical Biological Radiological Nuclear and Explosives (CBRNE) detection. The team acquired two wings and a hub of the mobile field hospital and finished out their collapse and shoring system. All these components speak directly to the homeland security initiatives. The region is committed to ensure capabilities of the team are either sustained or grown for the benefit of the region. The communication vehicles can be quickly deployed to any disaster to maintain and enhance interoperable communication. The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) project is widely supported by the region as it serves a dual use. Disaster preparedness given in an "all hazard" educational process gives awareness, prevention, mitigation, response, and recovery to almost all disaster events, including terrorism.

The HSRT conducted a confined space training drill at Buzzi Unicem in Cape Girardeau.

The FY2020 award was discussed and allocated at the July meeting. The funds were allocated as follows:

- Cape HSRT \$27,369.49
- CERT \$21,569.16
- Cape InOp \$17,626.00
- Kennett InOp \$10,784.00
- Jackson HSRT \$17,360.00
- Sikeston HSRT \$ 26,430.67

The two wings of the mobile field hospital were deployed to assist with dealing with COVID-19 during the initial period of the pandemic in Southeast Missouri earlier this year. A wing and generator have been deployed this fall to deal with the uptick COVID-19 cases. It is anticipated that the mobile field hospital will be fully deployed within the region if cases continue to rise.





Region F

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Region F RHSOC is formed of 13 centrally located Missouri counties. This year has been an interesting and effective year for us all working through the struggles successfully one step at a time. From the start of the pandemic we have worked through many tasks of both struggles and successes and have beneficially utilized items previously funded through the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP). The messaging boards have been very successful during this time at getting timely messages out to the general public. The purchase of a Western Shelter in a previous fiscal year was set up for an incoming patient screening site prior to entering the VA Hospital located in Columbia. A portion of the FY2018 SHSP savings we used to replenish Osage Co PPE cache. Susan Long with Osage Co Health Department will disburse the PPE to the counties within Region F based on numbers by the end of calendar year 2020.



All Projects for FY2017 and FY2018 have been completed, with the exception of Osage Co. PPE which was offered an extension and should be completed by the end of December 2020. We are currently working through FY2019 and awaiting FY2020 funds to be released. FY2019 funds have already purchased the following: several sustainment items, two county's radio bank cache, a mobile camera for surveillance during activation/deployment, and a 175kW towable generator. We are in the process of completing the FY2020 sub-award agreements and sending out for signatures.

The RHSOC meetings have worked a little different this year with practicing social distancing. Mid-MO Regional Planning Commission has invested in the ability for RHSOC meetings to have virtual capability. We have purchased Zoom, a laptop and continue to increase technology to ensure the virtual aspect is optimal. By having the virtual capability has not only allowed our regular attendees to continue in meeting participation, but it has also offered an opportunity for those who are not allotted time or funds for travel, to participate and/or observe these meetings increasing the overall knowledge and success of our Region as a whole.

With the THIRA/SPR annual update, Region F discussed the importance of having a pandemic scenario added to Region F THIRA due to the current pandemic and recognized gaps. We found it was more beneficial for our region to work through the recognized gaps by updating the THIRA with this scenario, even though it was not yet due to be updated. It took dedicated time but with the patience and knowledge of those involved, and the ability to effectively work well together as a region, we were able to successfully not only come up with a scenario, but completely add this into the THIRA and update the SPR all in less than one month, which is a great achievement.



Region G

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Region G is continually focused on upgrading current equipment that is out of date in the G COMM emergency response unit. Additionally, the region is focused on interoperable communications and therefore continues to fund radios that enable the agencies to properly communicate with each other and the state in the event of any emergency situation. Trauma kits are also priorities so that response is appropriate and suitable for any emergency that should arise. Fire departments, both rural and within city limits are considered priorities and receive yearly funding for calibration of equipment and in the event that equipment is expiring, receive new equipment.

New projects and/or investments are not a priority. Due to lack of funding, updating and sustaining our current initiatives are considered priorities to our region.

Our equipment and supplies are deployable at any time. With the upgrade to the response unit, we believe that we can assist throughout the state and region in a more timely and efficient manner.



Region H

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The Region H Homeland Security Oversight Committee (RHSOC) comprises fifteen (15) counties in the Northwest region of the State of Missouri. The Mo-Kan Regional Council (MKRC) hosted quarterly meetings for the Region H RHSOC in January, July, and October 2020 (April's meeting was canceled due to COVID-19). The committee reviewed eleven grant requests and approved FY2020 grants for four applicants: Buchanan County EMA annual renewal BCSD Communications Vehicle; Buchanan County EMA Region H Salamander Maintenance Renewal; NTA Ambulance Districts continuation of MOSWIN Portable Cache Development; and City of Chillicothe EMA SCBA tank replacement and Region H HazMat Trailer. MKRC staff worked with grant recipients and finalized the procurement of FY2018 grant awards and began the coordination and procurement of the FY2019 grant awards. The following regional assets were acquired with those funds: SBCA replacement tanks; CERT/COAD equipment including a truck, trailer, and chainsaws; and a MOSWIN radio cache.

Additionally, funding was received in the region in November of 2019 due to the cell phone tax legislation that was passed in April of 2019, which allowed for a four-county (Andrew, DeKalb, Clinton, and Caldwell) 911 district to be established in Northwest Missouri. The Mass Fatality working group began to develop a first draft of a regional mass fatality plan and is currently in the process of reviewing and adding to the region's Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) cache, inventorying the mass casualty trailer, and considering the establishment of a coroner strike team for the region.

As requested, members updated the SPR portion of Region H's Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) plan as well. Two of the region's mass casualty shelters were also deployed to local hospitals during the early stages of the COVID-19 pandemic.





Region I

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The Meramec Regional Planning Commission (MRPC) hosted quarterly meetings for the Region I RHSOC in January, April, July, and October 2020. Approved FY2020 grants for the following projects:

- Rolla Homeland Security Response Team (HSRT), includes purchases for all hazard team, command post, mobile radio command post, search and rescue
- Waynesville Police Department (Radio/Wireless Mics)
- Salem Memorial Hospital (Interoperable Communications and PAPER Sustainment)
- Meramec Regional Planning Commission (MRPC) (Management and Administration, Planning, and Work Plan).

Working with grant sub-recipients, MRPC finalized procurement of FY2018 grant awards and began the coordination and procurement of FY2019 grant awards. The 2019 Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) was updated and submitted to the Missouri Office of Homeland Security, with primary work completed by the Region I RHSOC subcommittee and Rolla HSRT.

In 2020, with coordination and funding through MRPC planning grant, the Region I RHSOC and area partners hosted a CERT class on June 27-28, where three people attended from around the region's six counties. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Region I has actively participated in the distribution of PPE with the City of Rolla Fire & Rescue being a distribution center. Through the mutual aid response system and working with MRPC, the agency was able to distribute N95 masks, bio bags, hand sanitizer, gloves, goggles, protective outerwear, face shields, and sanitizing wipes. Utilizing the mutual aid system, the region was able to distribute the PPE within 24 hours of receiving from SEMA.

The region was able to utilize WebEOC, during the pandemic event, to communicate within the region and pass information up to SEMA through the Incident Management System.