AGENDA

ST. LOUIS AREA REGIONAL RESPONSE SYSTEM

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, January 12, 2017 - 11:30 A.M.

ST. LOUIS CITY FIRE HEADQUARTERS

1. CALL TO ORDER BY GARY CHRISTMANN, PRESIDENT

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2016 MEETING

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A.	Executive Director's Report	NICK GRAGNANI STARRS
B.	Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack Grant	DALE CHAMBERS STARRS
C.	Presidential Debate Review	RYAN NICHOLLS Washington University Emergency Management

4. ACTION ITEMS

A.	Regional Security Expenditures	NICK GRAGNANI
B.	Nominating Committee Report	SGT BILL ROCHE St. Louis County Police & St. Louis Fusion Center

5. OTHER BUSINESS

6. NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Board will occur on Thursday, February 9, 2017 at 11:30 AM

STARRS BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 15, 2016

The meeting of the STARRS Board of Directors was called to order at 11:30 a.m. at the City of St. Louis Fire Headquarters, 1421 N. Jefferson, St. Louis, Missouri, with attendance as follows:

Directors Present

Gary Christmann, President
Don Feher, Treasurer
Bill Roche, Secretary
John Anthony
Frank Arnoldy
Debbie Beezley
Jon Belmar
Greg Brown
Sarah Gamblin-Luig
Chris Hunt
Dennis Jenkerson
John Nowak
Lawrence O'Toole
Vanessa Poston
Warren Robinson
Mark Thorpe
David Todd
Ryan Weber

Ex Officio
Jim Wild

Also in attendance were Nick Gragnani, Brian Marler, Karen Kunkel, John Whitaker, Ky Kee, Dale Chambers, Leah Hummert, Staci Alvarez and Frank Johnson of STARRS / East-West Gateway Council of Governments staff.

CALL TO ORDER

Gary Christman, Chair, called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 18, 2016 MEETING

Motion was made by Dave Todd, seconded by Lawrence O'Toole, to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2016 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Executive Director's Report

Nick Gragnani, STARRS, advised that the staff is still awaiting grant guidance criteria regarding the renamed Program to Enhance Preparedness for Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attacks. Under the grant, $35 million will be disbursed nationally to jurisdictions to address complex coordinated terrorist attacks. Mr. Gragnani advised that he received information at the Illinois Emergency Management Conference, recently attended by he and Dale Chambers, that indicates UASI funded regions may not eligible, however, he is hopeful that since the St. Louis region held a Joint Counter-Terrorism Awareness Workshop the region maybe given priority.
He advised that additional information will be provided once received.

Mr. Gragnani reported that he, Dale Chambers and John Whitaker of STARRS staff recently attended a THIRA workshop in Chicago, IL that focused on the importance of and ways to improve the THIRA. He advised that the THIRA is not only a funding mechanism, but is also a valuable tool used by the federal government to identify core strengths for emergency planning for natural disasters. Mr. Gragnani thanked all of those instrumental to creating the regional THIRA, noting that it has been recognized for its quality, along with those from Baltimore, Detroit and Houston.

With respect to UASI grants, he noted that the FY 2014 grant was closed on August 31, and current funding from the FY 2015 grant is available until August 2018. As for FY 2016 funding, he reported that staff is finishing the line item budget for review and approval by the Missouri Office of Homeland Security, prior to beginning spend-down. He briefly summarized a chart contained in the meeting materials for FY 2016 funding, which describes milestones and staff contact information for each project, and he advised those with any general questions or with concerns about project deadlines to contact the appropriate staff member listed in the handout.

St. Louis Regional Training & Exercise Work Plan
Dale Chambers, STARRS, thanked Chief Arnoldy and the City of Crestwood for hosting the T&E workshop again this year. He described the draft Training and Exercise Plan (TEP) distributed in the meeting materials, noting that the Plan builds on previous years' work, is subject to continual and annual updates, and is informed by and subsequently supports the THIRA. He explained the program priorities, and he summarized the planned supporting training courses and exercises as well as those in the developmental stage.

Additional discussion followed regarding the success of the last TEP; and the importance of promoting the training course titled *"ICS for Executives and Senior Officials"*. Mr. Gragnani noted that the Community Engagement Department at EWGCOG would be working with STARRS to assist with reaching out to elected officials, developing a training schedule, and finding locations for the training. He introduced Frank Johnson from that department, who was in attendance.

ACTION ITEMS

Regional Security Expenditures
Nick Gragnani, STARRS, summarized staff's recommendation of the following expenditures, totaling $86,759. The expenditures will be funded from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Urban Area Security Initiative ("UASI") grant programs.

Action	Description	Amount
Purchase	Veteran's Corp – one BaseX Shelter	$26,154
Purchase	Zoll Medical Corporation – one heart defibrillator	$43,091
Purchase	MD Helicopter, Inc. – one MD Helicopter Technical Bulletin "Garmin G500H Upgrade Authorization"	$17,154

Motion approving the recommendation was made by Dave Todd, seconded by Frank Arnoldy. Motion passed unanimously.

Nominating Committee Report
Nick Gragnani, STARRS, summarized the Nominating Committee's recommendation of the following individuals for membership on the Hospital Preparedness sub-committee:

Christopher Blank, Infection Prevention Consultant, BJC Healthcare

Erica Suhling, Safety and Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, SSM Health – St. Louis

Kaitlin Walker, Environmental Health and Safety Manager, SSM Health – St. Louis

Kenneth Moorman, Director of Safety and Security, St. Anthony's Medical Center

Motion approving the recommendation was made by Dave Todd, seconded by Greg Brown. Motion passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Gragnani announced that EWGCOG's Annual Meeting would be held on November 10, 2016 at Gateway Center in Collinsville, IL. The meeting will consist of a luncheon and Outstanding Leadership in Government Awards (OLGA's) following a morning presentation focusing on the work of STARRS and a display of equipment purchased through UASI funding. He requested volunteers for a panel of subject matter experts.

Gary Christmann reported that the EMA Committee recently met and addressed Debbie Mays' request for improved communication and notification between first responders and hospitals during major regional incidents. He noted that the Committee concluded that a policy or plan would not be feasible, however, he suggested WebEOC and phone communication as the best methods for obtaining available information.

NEXT MEETING & ADJOURNMENT

The next STARRS Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 13, 2016 at 11:30 a.m., in the auditorium of St. Louis City Fire Headquarters.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dave Todd, seconded by Debbie Beezley. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:53 a.m.

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Bill Roche, Secretary

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To: Board of Directors

From: Staff

Subject: Regional Security Expenditures

Date: January 9, 2017

Staff is requesting authorization to expend funds in support of regional security that will improve the region's disaster preparedness and response capabilities. Funding will come from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) and the Assistant Secretary of Preparedness and Response (ASPR) Hospital Preparedness grant programs. Attachment A summarizes this purchases totaling **$416,277.** Also attached is a summary description of all budgeted expenditures from the UASI grants (Attachment B).

1. **Chemical Nerve Agent Anti-dote** – We are requesting approval to purchase 89 cyanide antidote kits called "Cyanokits" which are used by first responders as an antidote to cyanide poisoning or as an antidote for exposure to a chemical nerve agent. In addition, cyanide is present in the smoke of structure fires as a byproduct of plastic and adhesive combustion. When an incident occurs that involves poisoning from cyanide exposure, quick administration of a cyanide antidote can save lives. The Cyanokit is the only cyanide antidote kit approved for use by EMS agencies in the St. Louis region. The Cyanokits will be stored with EMS agencies throughout the St. Louis region. Total cost will not exceed **$61,000**.

2. **Equipment Trailers** – We are requesting approval to purchase two 24 foot mobile trailers that will be used to store mass fatality emergency response equipment consisting of tents, cadaver racks, and mortuary cooling systems. The trailers will be stored and maintained by the Jefferson County Health Department and the St. Louis County Medical Examiner's Office and will be available for regional response after a major incident involving multiple fatalities. Total costs will not exceed **$27,990**.

3. **Healthcare Civil Unrest and Violent Incident Training** – We are requesting approval to fund a Healthcare Civil Unrest and Violent Incident training course for the region's hospitals and healthcare facilities. The course will address response strategies when confronted with a civil unrest disturbance or other violent incidents within or on a healthcare facility property. The class will be six hours in length and allow a maximum of 35 students. The target audience will include hospital incident command staff, emergency care staff, physicians, administrators, EMS providers, and healthcare facility emergency preparedness staff. The class will include classroom instruction as well as a scenario-based drill. Because funding

for this training will come from the Missouri ASPR Hospital Preparedness grant, this training will only be open to Missouri hospitals and healthcare facilities. The total cost will not exceed **$10,000**.

4. **Project Manager for St. Louis Regional License Plate Recognition Database (LPRD) and Mugshot Recognition Technology (SMRT) Databases –** The Project Manager for the LPRD and SMRT is a part time position within the St. Louis Fusion Center – Terrorism Early Warning Group. The position facilitates and oversees the implementation of the regional law enforcement license plate reader and mugshot recognition databases. Duties include facilitating an independent audit of LPRD/SMRT users and ensure compliance with the Fusion Center's privacy policies and end user agreements. Maintaining these databases allows all law enforcement agencies across the region to share critical suspect information. The LPRD /SMRT Manager requires an in-depth knowledge of the operations, capabilities, restrictions and maintenance of the LPRD and SMRT systems. The position will work with regional law enforcement agencies to solicit their participation while managing the progress of the system.

   The City of Richmond Heights Police Department has agreed to provide the LPRD/SMRT Project Manager on a part time basis and has agreed to accept a sub-grant award for the funding. Therefore, we are requesting approval to enter into a sub-grant award with the City of Richmond Heights, Missouri for a total cost not exceed **$54,980**, for the period of January 1, 2017 through August 31, 2019.

5. **Responder Force Protection & Rehabilitation Unit (Rehab Unit) –** We are requesting approval to purchase a heart defibrillator monitor and seven radios for the Responder Force Protection & Rehabilitation Unit. The St. Louis Regional EMS Task Force is staging two Rehabilitation Units in the St. Louis region. These Rehab Units are emergency response vehicles that are deployed when dealing with a Mass Casualty Incident. One Rehab Unit is currently staged with St. Clair County Special Emergency Services in Belleville, Illinois. A second unit will soon be staged at Christian Hospital in North St. Louis County. Total cost will not exceed **$70,916**.

6. **Sandbag Machine –** In July 2011 UASI grant funding was used to purchase five sandbag machines, which were then staged in the City of St. Louis, Jefferson and St. Charles Counties in Missouri, and St. Clair and Madison Counties in Illinois. Each of these machines were available for response whenever major flooding occurred in either county or anywhere in the region. In December 2015 the St. Louis region experienced one of the worst flooding events since the Great Flood of 1993 when over 10 inches of rain fell across the metropolitan

region. During response to this event these sandbag machines were used extensively. The Madison and St. Clair County machines were deployed to Alton, Illinois to help mitigate the flooding to downtown Alton and the City of St. Louis worked with Jefferson County to repair the Jefferson County machine and deploy sandbags to both jurisdictions. During the response to this incident the regional emergency managers identified the need for a sixth sandbag machine to be staged in Illinois; thus establishing three machines on the Illinois side and three on the Missouri side. Therefore, we are requesting approval to purchase one sandbag machine to be staged with the Monroe County, Illinois Emergency Management Agency and available for response anywhere within the St. Louis region. Total costs will not exceed **$90,912**.

7. **St. Louis Healthcare Coalition Hazard Vulnerability Analysis and Risk Assessment**– We are requesting approval to hire a consultant to assist the region in developing a healthcare focused regional Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA) and Risk Assessment along with a resource assessment and needs analysis for the St. Louis Region C Healthcare Coalition (HCC). The project meets requirements of the Hospital Preparedness Program Grant administered by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) and will compliment and support similar efforts associated with the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant.

   The basis for this project is the 2017-2022 Health Care Preparedness and Response Capabilities grant guidance released on November 1, 2016. One of the healthcare and medical disaster readiness objectives listed in the guidance is for the HCC to identify risks and needs. The first step in this process is to develop a hazard vulnerability analysis for the Coalition which identifies the hazards and risks that are most likely to have an impact on the demand for, or delivery of, healthcare services at a regional level and estimates the number of affected people needing healthcare services. The next step is to conduct an assessment of resources needed to meet the challenges, then identify and prioritize the gaps and mitigation strategies. Once completed, the project will provide important input for development of a Healthcare Coalition Strategic Plan that will outline the sustainment and enhancement of the Coalition and identify projects and purchases for the next five-year ASPR Grant cycle beginning in July of 2017. The strategy, to be completed by STARRS staff, will also support regional collaboration between healthcare disciplines including hospitals, public health, emergency medical services (EMS), and mass fatality. Total cost will not exceed **$89,993**.

8. **Tactical EMS Assault Medical Bags –** Tactical Emergency Medics are EMS paramedics who respond in support of and with law enforcement response teams when confronted with an active shooter in a mass casualty scene. The Tactical Medical Teams train with law

enforcement to coordinate responses strategies to be prepared to treat victims of the incident as well as the first responders on the scene. We are requesting approval to purchase 16 medical assault bags for the Tactical Emergency Medical Teams in the City of St. Louis Fire Department and the Metro West and Monarch Fire Protection Districts as a part of their tactical emergency medical response team equipment caches. Each bag is equipped with extensive array of medical supplies and equipment needed to treat victims of various levels of trauma and severe bleeding. The Tactical Medical Teams are available for response anywhere within the region. Total cost will not exceed **$10,486**.

The purchases described in this memo are being made in accordance with the agency's procurement policy.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board approve the expenditure of funds as follows:

- for the purchase of 89 Cyanokits from Meridian Medical Technologies in an amount not to exceed **$61,000**;
- for the purchase of a two 24-foot trailers from Verde, Inc. in an amount not to exceed **$27,990**;
- allow the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Mitigation Dynamics to provide a Healthcare Civil Unrest/Violent Incident training course for an amount not to exceed **$10,000**;
- for a sub-award to Richmond Heights, Missouri for the Automated License Plate Reader and Mugshot Recognition Technology System Project Manager in an amount not to exceed **$54,980**;
- for the purchase of a Phillips Defibrillator from Boundtree Medical for an amount not to exceed **$21,585**;
- for the purchase of seven 800mhz/VHF Dual Band Radios from Motorola Solutions for an amount not to exceed **$49,331**;
- for the purchase of a sandbag machine from Express Scale in an amount not to exceed **$90,912**;
- allow the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Tetra Tech, Inc. to develop a healthcare focused regional Hazard Vulnerability Analysis and Risk Assessment for an amount not to exceed $**89,993**; and,

- for the purchase of a 16 tactical EMS medical assault backpacks from Tactical Medical Solutions in an amount not to exceed **$10,486**,

for a total amount not to exceed **$416,277** from the from the UASI and the ASPR Hospital Preparedness grant program.

ATTACHMENT A

Expenditures for Equipment and Services
January 9, 2017

Vendor	Description	Jurisdiction/Agency	Quantity	Cost
Emergency Response Planning (UASI)				
City of Richmond Heights	LPRD & SMRT Project Manager	St. Louis County	1	$54,980
Emergency Response Equipment (UASI)				
Meridian Medical Technologies (Columbia, MD)	Cyanokits	Regional	1	$21,000
BoundTree Medical (Dublin, OH)	Defibrillator	St. Louis County	1	$21,585
Motorola Solutions (Schaumburg, IL)	Dual Band Radios	St. Louis County	7	$49,331
Express Scale (Lenexa, KS)	Sandbagging Machine	Monroe County	1	$90,912
Emergency Response Equipment (ASPR)				
Meridian Medical Technologies (Columbia, MD)	Cyanokits	MO side of the region	1	$40,000
Verde, Inc (Lake Wales, FL)	Equipment Trailers	Jefferson County, St. Louis County	2	$27,990
Tactical Medical Solutions, Inc (Anderson, SC)	Assault Medical Backpacks	MO side of the region	16	$10,486
Emergency Response Training (ASPR)				
Mitigation Dynamics (Lee's Summit, MO)	Hospital Civil Unrest & Violent Incident Training	MO side of the region	1	$10,000
Emergency Response Planning (ASPR)				
Tetra Tech, Inc. (Cincinnati, OH)	Hazard Vulnerability Analysis & Risk Assessment	MO side of the region	1	$89,993
			TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**$416,277**

Total UASI Expenditures: $237,808
Total ASPR Expenditures: $178,469

ATTACHMENT B
Cumulative Budgeted Expenditures for Major Projects under Urban Areas Security Initiative through Fiscal Year 2016

		Total Budgeted	Prior amount approved by EWG Board	This request	Remaining to be approved
Critical Response Teams					
A key goal under the UASI Strategy is to strengthen our critical response teams. We have largely accomplished this goal with hazardous materials and heavy rescue equipment and training. These teams are capable of responding to terrorist attacks, industrial accidents or natural disasters like earthquakes and tornadoes. Another element of critical response includes medical supplies for mass casualty incidents. The MCI trailers represent the first stage of meeting this need for the EMS community. Also included is equipment for Incident Management Teams that will consist of emergency responders from all disciplines. These mobile teams are activated to support emergency responders managing an event where the event continues over many hours or days.	Hazmat / HR	$18,524,651	$18,296,886	$0	$227,765
	Mass Casualty	1,172,980	999,837	91,916	81,227
	Incident Management Teams	2,355,312	2,120,282	90,912	144,118
Law Enforcement Tactical Team Equipment					
There are 7 law enforcement tactical response units in the region which need communications, tactical lights and personal protective equipment. Three of the teams will receive tactical vehicles and Metro Air Support will receive a helicopter and other equipment to support response to a variety of terrorist incidents.	Misc equipment:	8,783,351	8,374,086	0	409,265
	Tactical vehicles:	4,514,819	4,514,819	0	0
Interoperable Communications					
A variety of projects come within the description of Interoperable Communications. Radio caches, satellite phones and video conferencing and the Land Mobile Radio Communications Plan are included, as well as a microwave tower backbone system.	Radios, phones, video conf. etc:	8,618,026	8,579,774	0	38,252
	Microwave system:	9,338,047	8,988,047	0	350,000
	Radio Plan:	694,300	674,300	0	$20,000
The Virtual EOC					
The virtual EOC strengthens regional collaboration on a day to day basis through a web based interactive network that links the region's eight EOC's and numerous other users for planning, preparing for and responding to an incident. In future years we hope to add a robust Geographic Information System capability.		5,278,534	5,278,534	0	0

ATTACHMENT B
Cumulative Budgeted Expenditures for Major Projects under Urban Areas Security Initiative through Fiscal Year 2016

	Total Budgeted	Prior amount approved by EWG Board	This request	Remaining to be approved
Emergency Patient Tracking	$2,422,320	$2,422,320	$0	$0
Patient Tracking allows emergency medical services and hospitals to rapidly enter data about a patient into a secure wireless web-based tracking system. The data includes identification, triage condition and transport information and allows the hospitals to balance patient loads and provide information to families.				
Universal ID Project This system provides a uniform identification card for fire, law enforcement and volunteers with credential information embedded in the card.	557,812	557,812	0	0
Expand Public Health Capabilities Local public health agencies are working to prepare the region and protect citizens and first responders in the event of bioterrorism and natural diseases. Work is underway to establish an automated syndromic surveillance system for the early detection of naturally occurring or man made disease outbreaks.	2,846,739	2,697,454	0	149,285
Mass Casualty Equipment, Medical Supplies and Software for Hospitals Hospitals are preparing the region for a response to a medical surge or mass casualty incident (MCI) by staging emergency response trailers that are equipped with medical supplies, cots and bedding at selected hospitals for deployment anywhere in the St. Louis region. In addition, the hospitals will dispense medicine to employees, their families and patients in the event of a large-scale bioterrorist or naturally occurring illness. The hospitals have software that will help with the dispensing of this medicine and the management of an MCI when it occurs.	2,249,599	2,177,244	0	72,355
Disaster Incident Management System for Hospitals and Tactical Response The disaster incident management software system provides a tactical incident management capability for hospitals and response teams that includes federally required forms and plans. For the hospital systems it also includes a regional bed tracking capability.	$2,446,808	$2,270,308	$0	$176,500

ATTACHMENT B
Cumulative Budgeted Expenditures for Major Projects under Urban Areas Security Initiative through Fiscal Year 2016

	Total Budgeted	Prior amount approved by EWG Board	This request	Remaining to be approved
Terrorism Early Warning Center The TEW is operated by the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department and the St. Louis County Police Department and serves as a central clearinghouse for information and intelligence to help detect and prevent acts of terrorism.	$ 3,528,332	$2,969,241	$54,980	$504,111
Citizen Preparedness This program includes Citizen Emergency Response Teams and other similar teams designed to educate the public about disaster preparedness and train them to assist their neighbors. Expenditures include equipment and training to help citizens learn to respond to hazards as part of a team in their neighborhood or workplace, and public information. The program also includes the sheltering project which brings generators and shelters into the region to protect citizens who need shelter.	2,662,666	2,632,666	0	30,000
Regional Coordination Planning Includes regional emergency coordination planning, mutual aid improvements, public information and enhancements to critical infrastructure protection.	1,024,051	1,024,051	0	0
Exercises A regional Full Scale Exercise (FSE) will be held during the second quarter of 2016. The FSE scenario will be terrorist based involving a mass casualty incident and will involve regional hospitals, public health, fire and law enforcement agencies.	386,500	371,500	0	15,000
Training Most disciplines have received and will continue to attend training activities to enhance their skills. Included are heavy rescue, hazmat, incident management teams, law enforcement, public health and hospitals.	3,875,608	3,867,918	0	7,690
Totals:	$81,280,455	[1] $78,817,079	$237,808	$2,225,568

[1] This total represents the sum of UASI funds awarded for equipment and contractual obligations for fiscal years 2003 - 2016. The schedule represents the cumulative amount spent, from both open and closed grants, on major projects since the inception of the Homeland Security Grant Program.

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Memo to: Board of Directors

From: Staff

Subject: Nomination of Sub-Committee Appointments

Date: January 10, 2017

The Nominating Committee recommends the following individuals for membership on a STARRS Sub-Committee:

Emergency Management

Ty Davisson, Director of Emergency Management, Washington University in St. Louis. With numerous years of experience, Ty Davisson has been at the frontlines of strengthening the core tenants of the emergency management profession. As a state-recognized instructor in Missouri, Mr. Davisson has been responsible for teaching and providing technical expertise and assistance to numerous rural and urban communities throughout the country on behalf of the Missouri State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Mr. Davisson is a former Marine, Certified Emergency Manager (CEM), a Master Exercise Practitioner (MEP), Master Business Continuity Professional (MBCP) and also serves on the CEM Commission for the International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM). He has a Bachelor of Science degree in Intercultural Studies and a Master of Science degree in Emergency Management from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. In his current role as the Director of Emergency Management and Business Continuity for Washington University, Mr. Davisson has oversight of the University's Emergency Management Program which seeks to provide a seamless and comprehensive framework for improving the disaster resilience at both the Danforth campus and the Washington University School of Medicine campus community.

Law Enforcement

Brian Schellmann, Supervisor - Tactical Operations, St. Louis County Police Department. Brian has been Sergeant of the Tactical Operations Unit since April 2016. Prior to taking on this role, he was Sergeant in the Public Information Unit where he served as the spokesman for the St. Louis County Police Department. In that role, he was tasked with overseeing the department's print and video media relations and social media activity in the Office of the Chief of Police. Before assuming that role, Schellmann worked as a municipal police officer and detective in the Intelligence Unit. He received his Bachelor of Communications from Fontbonne University in 2002 and became a graduate of the St. Louis County and Municipal Police Academy in 2003.

Gerald Lohr, Deputy Commander - Tactical Support, St. Louis County Police Department. Gerald has been Deputy Commander with the Bureau of Tactical Support since May 2016 where his duties include supervising the Tactical Operations Unit, Canine Unit, Highway Safety Unit, and the Neighborhood Enforcement Team. Prior to this promotion, Lohr served as Supervisor of the Canine Unit as well as Watch Commander of four different precincts (Affton Southwest, North County, City of Jennings, and Central County) between 2011 and 2016. He received his Bachelor of Science from Vanderbilt University in 1995 and became a graduate of the St. Louis County and Municipal Police Academy in 2001.

Timothy Whitney, Lieutenant Colonel, Jefferson County Sheriff's Office. Timothy has been employed by the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office since 2000. During his time with the Sheriff's Office, he has held the positions of commander of the county's multi-jurisdictional drug task force, supervisor in the special operations division, and team leader of the county's multi-jurisdictional tactical response team. In January 2017, he was appointed Undersheriff.

Mass Fatality

Brian Adams, Emergency Management Specialist, St. Louis County Police Department Office of Emergency Management. Brian Adams has worked in St. Louis County Government for more than 27 years, including the last 13 years with the police department where he worked in the Fingerprint Unit, Planning & Analysis, and the Office of Emergency Management. Since transferring to the Office of Emergency Management in April 2014, his tasks have included planning and logistics during activations, maintaining documents such as the St. Louis County Basic Emergency Operations Plan and Office of Emergency Management Procedure Manual, preparing After Action Reports, and performing informational Emergency Operations Center presentations and gas mask fittings for police personnel. Before joining the Office of Emergency Management, he worked in state grant preparation and management, writing legislation requests through the St. Louis County Council, and preparing and maintaining CALEA (Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies) accreditation files. Brian has received two Awards of Excellence and a Letter of Commendation during his tenure with St. Louis County PD. In 1995, he graduated from the University of Missouri-St. Louis with a Bachelor of Arts in Communications.

Public Health

Christopher Blank, Infection Prevention Consultant, BJC Healthcare. Christopher Blank received his Masters of Public Health with an emphasis on biosecurity, disaster preparedness, and epidemiology from Saint Louis University in 2016. He joined BJC Healthcare as an

Infection Prevention Consultant where he works on occupational health and emergency preparedness. Before joining BJC, he worked as a newsman for the Associated Press in Jefferson City Missouri for nine years. Christopher is trained in numerous FEMA disaster planning systems including IS-800.b, IS-100.b, IS-120.a, and IS-130. His research includes extensive work on adolescent texting and driving, Ferguson and the use of social media, and investigating Missouri tornado sirens. In 2016, he presented at the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication on the use of Twitter during the Ferguson Protests.

Dylan Steigerwald, Epidemiologist, Jefferson County Health Department. Dylan received his B.S. in exercise science from Indiana University (IU) in 2014, and his MPH with a dual concentration in epidemiology and environmental and occupational health from Saint Louis University (SLU) in 2016. While attending SLU, Dylan was an executive member of the Student Association of Public Health (SAPH) and completed an internship as an occupational health researcher with Washington University. He had his work as a graduate assistant at SLU accepted for presentation at the Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health (ASPPH) annual conference, and also published in *Public Health* Journal. Dylan enjoys spending his free time cooking, playing guitar, and dominating his fantasy football leagues.

Jeana Vidacak, Emergency Response Planner, Jefferson County Health Department. Jeana has been with the Jefferson County Health Department since three years. In 2013, she started in the finance department and was soon promoted to Human Resources Manager. On November 1, she fully transitioned into Emergency Response Planner. She enjoys spending time outdoors, reading and gardening. She and her husband, Jarrod, have one son. They live on their family farm in Washington County.

Request for Removals/Resignations

A request for removal or resignation has been requested by the following individuals:

Emergency Management:

- Craig McDonald, Metro, request for removal by Emergency Management.
- Edward Pearce, First Services/First Bank, request for removal by Emergency Management.
- Ernie Rhodes, West County EMS and FPD, request for removal by Emergency Management.
- Andrew Stowers, O'Fallon Police Department, request for removal by Emergency Management.
- Paul Tipton, Monroe County EMA, request for removal by Emergency Management.

- Richard Tufts, Jefferson County Health Department, request for removal by Emergency Management.
- Kyle West, City of St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department, request for removal by Emergency Management.
- William Work, Wachovia Securities, request for removal by Emergency Management.

Emergency Medical Services:

- Nathan Lively, Christian Hospital, resigned from Emergency Medical Services.
- Brian Froelke, Washington University, request for removal by Emergency Medical Services committee due to non-attendance.
- Steve Mann, Eureka Fire Protection District, request for removal by Emergency Medical Services committee due to non-attendance.

Public Health:

- Debra Tscheschlok, Madison County Health Department, resigned from Public Health.
- John McIntosh, People's Health Centers, resigned from Public Health.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board of Directors approve the Nominating Committee recommendations.