Program to Prepare Communities for Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attacks

Grant Proposal Board Brief

Train for the next incident, not the last one.

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Items of Note

- Slides and the current proposal draft are available electronically when requested.
- Please hold questions until the end.
- Needs, gaps, and vulnerabilities must be disclosed and discussed in the application. Gaps are discussed at the St. Louis Regional level, not the individual agency level.
- Goals and gaps are identified by numbers for ease of discussion and do not represent any prioritization.
- Components of the application can be implemented based on funding received without the entire project being funded.

Funding Announcement

- Total available: $35,940,000
- Max funding per applicant: $2,500,000
- Projected number of awards: 25-30
- Period of Performance start: June 8, 2017
- Period of Performance end: June 7, 2020
- Eligible: Recognized Tribes, State govt, Local govt, includes planning organizations
- Competitive but… “the Secretary of Homeland Security retains the discretion to consider other factors and approves all final funding determinations.”

Items NOT Allowed

- Personnel for routine patrols and interdiction operations.
- Public safety contractors fulfilling traditional public safety duties.
- International travel.
- Food beyond hydration for training safety.
- Construction and renovation costs.
- Operational equipment including vehicles, weapons, body armor, air monitoring, antidotes, and just about anything that will last beyond a single use in a training or exercise.

Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attacks are:

- Synchronized attacks,
- Conducted by one or more independent teams,
- Occurring at multiple locations sequentially or in close succession,
- Initiated with little or no warning,
- Using multiple attackers, and
- Employing one or more of the following weapon systems:
  - Firearms
  - Explosives
  - Fire as a weapon
- Non-traditional terrorist methodologies may also be employed

Program Objective

Build and sustain capabilities of jurisdictions to enhance preparedness for complex coordinated terrorist attacks by achieving the following activities:

- Identifying capability gaps related to preparing for, preventing, and responding to a complex coordinated terrorist attack.
- Developing and/or updating plans, annexes, and processes to address the identified gaps.
- Training personnel and the whole community to implement the plans and processes and build needed capabilities.
- Conducting exercise(s) to validate capabilities and identify opportunities for additional corrective action.

Program Priorities

The FY 2016 CCTA Program will prioritize projects that incorporate the following factors:

- Develop comprehensive and sustainable approaches to enhance preparedness for complex coordinated terrorist attacks.
- Develop and advance regional partnerships and whole community collaboration.
- Promote creative, innovative, and replicable approaches to preparing for complex coordinated terrorist attacks.
- Develop and share lessons learned and best practices associated with preparing for complex coordinated terrorist attacks between jurisdictions.

Scoring

- Need - 20 points max
- Design and Implementation – 52 points max
- Impact – 16 points max
- Budget – 12 points max

Design and Implementation measures

- Effective and sustainable project approach
- Regional and whole community approach
- Creative and innovative approach
- Plan to share with other jurisdictions to amplify impact of grantee project

Activity Areas

- Milestones will be aligned to:
  - Identifying Capability Gaps
  - Planning
  - Training
  - Exercise

Gaps as they relate to CCTA objectives

Many gaps have already been identified with previous incidents, events, trainings (JCTAWS & MJIEDSP), and THIRA/SPR conversations

- 1- Operational coordination among multiple agencies and political jurisdictions.
- 2- Force protection of response agencies during an incident response, particularly protection of fire and EMS personnel.
- 3- Integration and coordinated response of tactical law enforcement, bomb & arson team, and tactical emergency medical services (TEMS) to a hostile environment.
- 4- Critical information sharing in a time frame that can positively impact decision making among various regional agencies.

Start with a Vision

- **Vision**: The St. Louis Region will coordinate limited resources and provide critical information for decision making prior to, during, and after a CCTA that impacts the region.
- **Hard Outcomes**: 6 Guides and 1 Response Plan

A Vision needs Goals

- **Goal 1**: Operational information across the response spectrum will be shared and resources coordinated for safety and speed of eliminating threats. (Gaps 1 & 2)
- **Goal 2**: Integration and coordinated response of tactical law enforcement, bomb & arson squad, and tactical emergency medical services (TEMS) to a hostile environment. (Gap 3)
- **Goal 3**: Critical information will be available to regional decision makers in a timely manner in order to reduce negative impacts of the incident. Fusion Center. (Gap 4)

Smaller Pieces

- Each goal will have 1-3 objectives
- Each objective will lead to developing a guide
- Each guide has 2-4 workshops (facilitated discussions among multiple agencies/staff) used to develop the guide
- Goal 3 will be accomplished differently with more seminars training the community
- Guides lead to drills and/or exercises of some level

Workgroup

- A workgroup will be created to review the application, make final adjustments, and then forward on for official approval.
- You are all welcome to participate in the workgroup.
- The workgroup will ensure objectives and tasks align with general feasibility of the program's intended outcomes.
- The workgroup will not debate the finer details of policies that are being addressed in the proposal, that is what the program is for.
- The calendar is non-negotiable.
- Please send me an email and I will place you on the list.

Calendar

- STARRS application discussion and review: Jan 23, 2:30 StL Fire HQ
- STARRS application review final: Feb 2, 8:30 StL Fire HQ
- Proposal workgroup must attend in person Jan 23 and Feb 2.
- STARRS Finance Committee approval: Feb 7
- STARRS Board approval: Feb 9
- **Grant Due: Feb 10** This is the Federal due date, not STARRS.
- Your comments and suggestions to Dale: August 2016 would have been great