

AGENDA
ST. LOUIS AREA REGIONAL RESPONSE SYSTEM
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, August 13, 2020 – 9:00 A.M.

*** VIRTUAL MEETING - CALL IN INFORMATION ***

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1. CALL TO ORDER BY SGT. BILL ROCHE
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, JUNE 2020 MEETING
3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Directors Report

GREGGORY FAVRE
STARRS

B. THIRA Update

SAMANTHA PETERSON
STARRS

C. CCTA Update

DALE CHAMBERS
STARRS

D. Sub-committee Reports

- No Reports

As Subcommittees have been engaged in COVID-19 response, they have not been meeting to discuss STARRS activity. Subcommittee reports will resume as COVID-19 operations lessen.

4. ACTION ITEMS

A. Regional Security Expenditures

5. OTHER BUSINESS

6. NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

- a. **The next STARRS Board meeting is currently scheduled for SEPTEMBER 10th, 2020.**
Given the fluidity of the regional COVID-19 response and the impact it has on this board, we will continue to evaluate the needs of the organization and our membership and will provide updates to the meeting schedule as needed.

**STARRS BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
June 11, 2020**

The meeting of the STARRS Board of Directors was called to order at 9:00 a.m. via telephone conference call, with attendance as follows:

On Conference Line:

Abe Cook
Bill Roche
Cody Minks
Chief Dennis Jenkerson
Derek Rieger
Don Feher
Chief Greg Brown
Jim Terry
Jim Wild
Justen Hauser
Lawrence Taylor
Michele Ryan
Michele Tanton
Nick Harper
Nick Kohlberg
Roger Smith
Warren Robinson

Not Present:

Cathy Vasivil
Chris Hunt
Gary Christmann
Herb Simmons
Joann Leykam
Josh Wilderson
Kathy Vasivil
Landen Prange
Larry O'Toole
Lynn Perrin
Mike Arras
Ryan Weber
Tony Falconio
Vanessa Poston
Ben Perrin
Kurt Frisz
Brian Gettemeier
John Nowak

Also in attendance were STARRS / East-West Gateway Council of Governments staff Gregg Favre, Dale Chambers, Samantha Peterson, Brian Marler, Staci Alvarez and Leah Watkins.

CALL TO ORDER

Bill Roche called the meeting to order at 0900.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MAY MEETING

Motion was made to approve the minutes of the May 2020 Board Meeting Minutes. Motion carried, all voting aye.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Directors Report

Gregg Favre provided the Director's Report, sharing that he had just returned from military orders earlier this week, thanking the group for their support in his absence.

After Action activities are beginning in the region and that STARRS is seeking feedback on lessons learned from the recent events, and Gregg thanked the Fusion Center for working so diligently with everyone to keep the region safe.

Gregg also shared that US Senators have begun drafting legislation for enforcing Law Enforcement reforms and that these reforms may affect access to UASI grant funding in the future.

Gregg also shared that development of the STARRS Planning has continued throughout the recent events and that outreach will occur to Board members for feedback. The Strategic Plan update process will be ongoing, with recurring outreach in the future for feedback. Goal for the organization is to move processes into a recurring, repeatable model that prioritizes both quality and timeliness.

Sub-committee Reports

No subcommittee reports were offered.

ACTION ITEMS

Regional Security Expenditures

Greg Favre summarized staff's recommendation of the following expenditures, totaling \$605,778. The expenditures will be funded from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant program.

Action	Description	Amount
Sub-Award	City of St. Louis - Cybersecurity Coordinator	\$183,268
Sub-Award	St. Charles Co - Intelligence Analyst Position	\$62,844
Sub-Award	St. Louis Co - Critical Infrastructure Position	\$135,016
Purchase	Visions of Video – Throat Microphones	\$40,518
Purchase	Ed Roehr Safety Products – Night Vision Equipment	\$65,550
Purchase	Sentinel Emergency Solutions – Extrication Equipment	\$53,792
Purchase	Banner Fire - Drysuits	\$20,220
Purchase	Sentinel Emergency Solutions – Airbag Lifting Kit	\$44,570

Motion approving the recommendation was made. Motion carried, all voting aye.

OTHER BUSINESS

Bill Roche shared his thanks with Derek Rieger, the region's Cybersecurity Coordinator, for his tireless work responding to cyber threats to local law enforcement and other agencies in the region during the recent civil unrest.

NEXT MEETING & ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made. Motion carried, all voting aye. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 AM.

Bill Roche

Memo to: Board of Directors
From: Staff
Subject: Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) Program Update
Date: August 7, 2020

CCTA Update

The CCTA Annex Validation virtual workshops outlined in the May 14 STARRS Board meeting have arrived and are beginning this week.

In the CCTA newsletter sent a few weeks ago, and subsequent email announcements to sub-committee leaders, the dates and registration for the CCTA workshops were released. For your convenience, the schedule and registration are page 2 of this memo.

In addition, today's expenditure request is a contract extension for Hagerty to support additional CCTA exercises and drills in the spring of 2021. The planning for these additional exercise activities will begin late September.

We look forward to the time when in person drills and exercises will be common again. Thank you for your continued support and engagement of this extensive program making the St. Louis region safer.

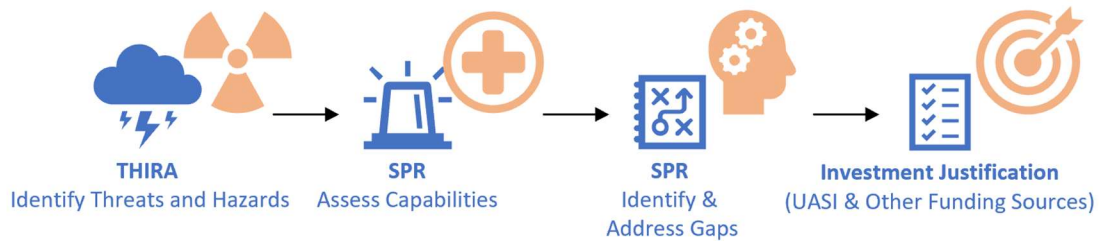
2020 THIRA/SPR and UASI Update

STARRS has initiated the planning process for the 2020 Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment/Stakeholder Preparedness Report (THIRA/SPR). During this process, STARRS stakeholders and subcommittee members will review threats and hazards that have the potential to cause major impacts to the St. Louis region. This year, we will be reviewing existing threats and hazards from 2019 and placing a strong emphasis on updating the pandemic scenario given our new experiences in responding to COVID-19. In addition, we will also review a flood threat scenario for inclusion into the THIRA.

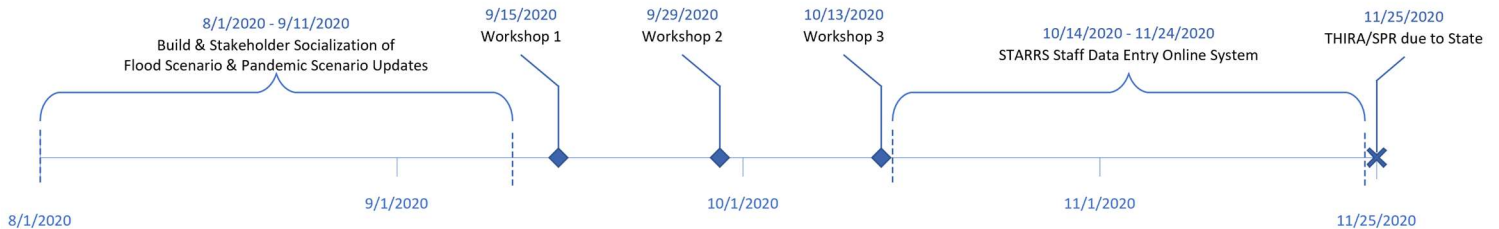
This process will also include an analysis of our existing capabilities. For the 2020 THIRA/SPR target capabilities will include; Operational Coordination, Public Health, Healthcare, & Emergency Medical Services, Fatality Management, Screening, Search & Detection, Interdiction & Disruption, Health & Social Services, Intelligence and Information Sharing, Cybersecurity, Physical Protective Measures, Public Information & Sharing, Access, Control, & Identification Verification, Supply Chain Security & Integrity, Economic Recovery, Risk Management for Protective Programs, and Risk & Disaster Resilience Assessment.

After the assessment of our existing capabilities in these target areas, we will identify and address gaps. This is an important step in determining the needs of the region. Gaps identified in planning, organization, equipment, training, or exercise (POETE) demonstrate a need for the region. These needs

can then be translated into Investment Justifications (IJs) for grant and funding opportunities including the 2021 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant.



As the final piece of the THIRA/SPR workshops, we will begin developing IJs for the 2021 UASI Grant. The THIRA/SPR process includes discussion of St. Louis regional capabilities that need sustainment and need to be built. This is the perfect opportunity to begin drafting IJ's to address these capabilities. This will only be the starting point for IJs and not a final product. Ultimately, this will give subcommittees more time to develop IJs for the 2021 process instead of waiting until the beginning of the year. This will also provide necessary justification for project prioritization and award at FEMA.



(Proposed THIRA/SPR Timeline)

Memo to: Board of Directors
From: Staff
Subject: Regional Security Expenditures
Date: August 10, 2020

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 Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) grant programs. Attachment A summarizes purchases totaling \$162,568.

Salamander Resource Tracking System – Staff is seeking approval to complete a 2018 project providing Illinois counties with access to the Salamander Resource Tracking System, a system already in use by Missouri counties in the region. This system provides an internet-based resource tracking system encouraging the sharing of equipment and resources between counties. The system can also be used for the tracking the assignment of equipment to staff, and for the credentialing staff at incident and event sites. This procurement will provide licenses and equipment to the counties of Madison and Monroe in Illinois, allowing them access to use the Salamander Resource Tracking system as used by others in the region. These two counties have agreed to directly fund the systems continuation in subsequent years following this initial purchase by STARRS. St. Clair County opted out of the project at their own discretion.

Hagerty Consulting Work Extension, CCTA Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack Grant – Staff is seeking approval to continue contracted support for additional CCTA activities, maintaining continuity in achieving regional stakeholders' expectations. The St. Louis CCTA program will be conducting additional workshops and exercises as part of the CCTA grant. This is an extension of the grant beyond the original expected closing date of August 31, 2020. Available funding is the result of FEMA not conducting national CCTA meetings and training that was budgeted for, in addition to other items falling under budget. All activities will continue the progressive approach taken so far, by developing the events with your guidance and experience. The additional planned activities include two policy level, decision-making, table-top exercises prior to more robust events. Three drills are planned and will include, among other response elements, testing of response capabilities related to tactical teams, rescue task force, casualty collection, patient transport, command coordination, hospital communications, and fatality investigation.

Staff Recommendation:

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

- for the purchase of licenses and equipment related to access to the Salamander Resource Tracking System in the counties of Madison and Monroe, Illinois for an amount not to exceed \$31,568;

- for the purchase of continued contractual services with Hagerty Consulting, related to the Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) Grant for an amount not to exceed \$131,000;

for a total amount not to exceed \$162,568.

(\$31,568 from the UASI grant program and \$131,000 from the CCTA grant program, respectively.)

ATTACHMENT A

**Expenditures for Equipment and Services
August 11, 2020**

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Jurisdiction/Agency</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Emergency Response Planning & Organization (UASI)				
Salamander Technologies, Inc. (Traverse City, MI)	Inventory and Badging Systems	Madison County, Monroe County	various	\$31,568
Emergency Response Training & Exercise (CCTA)				
Hagerty Consulting (Evanston, IL)	Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack Grant - Consulting Work Extension	Regional	1	\$131,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES				\$ 162,568

Total UASI Expenditures: \$31,586

Total CCTA Expenditures: \$131,000