

To: Bay Area UASI Approval Authority

From: Craig Dziedzic, General Manager

Date: March 9, 2023

Re: Item 03: General Manager's Report

Recommendations:

No Recommendation.

Action or Discussion Items:

- (a) FY 2023 UASI Grant (Discussion)
- (b) FY 2023 UASI Final Risk Profile (Discussion)
- (c) FY 2023 National Homeland Security Conference (Discussion)
- (d) Management Team Update (Discussion)
- (e) Management Team Tracking Tool and Future Agenda Items (Discussion)

Discussion/Description:

(a) FY 2023 UASI Grant (Discussion Only)

On March 27, 2023, DHS released the FY 2023 UASI Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), which allocated \$36,493,265 to the Bay Area UASI. The grant award is \$555,735 less when compared to last year.

The NOFO contained the following highlights:

- National Priority Area's (NPA's) will remain the same, but Election Security will now have a minimum spend of 3%. The total percentage required for NPAs is 30% (15% minimum spend amount and 15% for discretionary spending).
 - This increases the minimum NPA spend to 15% (previously 12%) of the award.
 - Discretionary spending drops to 15% (Previously 18%) for NPA projects.
- NPA Minimum spend amount (15% total):
 - Info Sharing - 3%
 - Soft Targets/Crowded Places - 3%
 - Cybersecurity - 0%
 - Community Preparedness - 3%
 - Domestic Violent Extremism - 3%
 - Election Security - 3%
- The minimum spend on Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities (LETPA) increased to 35% (Previously 30%).

(b) FY 23 UASI Final Risk Profile (Discussion Only)

On February 23, 2023, DHS/FEMA issued the final risk for the Bay Area UASI, which indicated a drop in ranking from 4 to 5. The document depicts a decrease in the Threat components of transnational organized crime and cybersecurity. The Management Team will be working with the NCRIC to review all the data sources contained in the report to ensure that the information is complete and accurate.

(c) FY 23 National Homeland Security Conference (Discussion Only)

On-line registration is now open for the FY 23 Homeland Security Conference, which will be hosted by the Chicago UASI, July 24-27, 2023. Three of the four Management Team's proposed presentations have been accepted. The presentations will address our projects involving cybersecurity, atmospheric rivers/bomb cyclone storms, and radiological/nuclear capability enhancement. To reregister, please go to the following link: <https://www.nationalhomelandsecurity.org/>.

(d) UASI Management Team Update (Discussion Only)

UASI Senior Manager Assistant Positions

The Management Team is in the process of working with our HR Department to backfill two senior manager assistant positions who will serve as the UASI office administrator and our website administrator. The position will be filled later in March/May 2023.

Securing the Cities (STC) Project Manager

Dave Rocha has been promoted to the STC regional program Manager. The Management Team is coordinating with our HR Department to backfill the regional grant project manager position.

UASI Community Preparedness Analyst

Meredith Terrell has accepted the position as the UASI community preparedness analyst who will be collaborating/working with the region's nonprofits and whole community agencies with the UASI and RCPGP projects. Ms. Terrell has a wealth of experience working with nonprofits, including serving as the Chief Program Officer for Meals on Wheels San Francisco Non-profit and a Senior Disaster Program Manager for the American Red Cross. Ms. Terrell earned a Masters in non-profit administration organizational development from the University of San Francisco and a Bachelor of Arts in Latin American Studies and Women's Studies from the University of Texas.

(e) Management Team Tracking Tool and Future Agenda Items (Discussion Only)

Attached as Appendix E is the Management Team Tracking Tool. Approval Authority members may submit future agenda items at any time to the General Manager.