

**DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND HOMELAND SECURITY  
COORDINATING COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Chief State's Attorney's Office, 300 Corporate Park, Rocky Hill, CT  
**September 16, 2009**

**ATTENDEES:** Cheryl Assis, CRCOG; Bill Austin, CREPC; Rahib Barakat, DOT; Brenda Bergeron, DEMHS; Jonathan Best, DPH; Peter Boynton, DEMHS; Sandra Brown, Hart. Hosp.; Mario Bruno, ARC; Carmine Centrella, CRCOG; Harold Decker, DOT; Scott Devico, DEMHS; Doug Dortenzio, Wallingford; Marion Evans, BHD; Kerry Flaherty, FVHD; Tom Gavaghan, DEMHS; Doug Glowacki, DEMHS; Libby Graham, DEMHS; Len Guercia, DPH; John Gustafson, DEMHS; Bill Hackett, DEMHS; Betsy Hard, Bloomfield; William Higgins, CFPC; Al Hoffman, USCG; Don Janelle, Manchester; Melanie Kerr, DEMHS; Bob Labanara, CCM; Maryann Lexius, Manchester; Walter Lippincott, Military; Mike Maglione, Waterbury; Dennis McCarty, Norwalk; Barbara McCarty; Bob McNelis, Bridgeport; Jeff Morrissette, CFPC; Judy Pahl, DEMHS; Bill Palomba, DPUC; Ray Philbrick, DPW; Roy Piper, DEMHS; William Podgorski, DPS; Rita Reiss, DEMHS; Dave Rodriguez, TSA; Daniel Ronan, USCG; Gary Ruggiero, DEMHS; Mark Scerra, DEMHS; Dan Stebbins, USAO; Lee Toffey, DEMHS; James Trainor, Meriden; Michael Varney, DOIT; Daniel Warzoha, Greenwich; and Ed Wilds, DEP.

**I. WELCOME AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- A. Meeting called to order by Commissioner Boynton at 0910 hours followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Boynton thanked everyone for adjusting their schedules to permit the change of date so all could attend the H1N1 Summit last week.

**II. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- A. None

**III. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the June 11, 2009 meeting by Mike Maglione; seconded by Bill Austin; approved with one abstention, Jeff Morrissette.

**IV. COMMUNICATION RECEIVED**

- A. None

**V. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Interoperability Committee – Bill Hackett reported that there was a meeting yesterday and the next meeting is scheduled for October 20<sup>th</sup>. See attached update. John Gustafson spoke about the Everbridge reverse notification system for statewide alerting. The group is currently recruiting representatives from the 5 REPT's and the 5 Interoperable Communications regions to work on protocols.
- B. Citizen Corps Advisory Council – Bill Austin reported on the 2 day CERT Conference at Water's Edge. Currently there are approximately 9,000 citizen volunteers around the state. He spoke of the \$50,000 partnership with the American Legion to promote neighbors helping neighbors and advised that the CERT Weekend will take place on September 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> at the Fire Academy in Windsor Locks. See attached Citizen Corps meeting minutes.
- C. Credentialing Committee – Betsy Hard reported that the committee did not meet over the summer months and the meeting scheduled for September had to be postponed to allow the participants to attend a conference. The group will have a presentation from the Salamander company at the October meeting and is addressing the issue of private sector credentialing.
- D. Training/NIMS Committee – Jeff Morrissette advised that the committee has not met and requested that a new co-chair be appointed with the retirement of Deputy Commissioner Wayne Sandford.

- E. Incident Management Team – Reported on by Bill Hackett in the absence of Tim Baldwin. Comments from the Coordinating Council members on the IMT Manual have been received and the group is working on updating the manual to include some of the suggestions made.
- F. Child Safety & Crisis Response: Bill Hackett reported that with the departure of Deputy Commissioner Wayne Sandford, he has taken over the running of the Child Safety committee. He advised that Sharon Mazzochi has taken a position at another state agency and that Bob Christ and Bob Scata will take over her duties with regards to the STEP program. Thirteen (13) towns will participate in the STEP program this year. FEMA will provide 4, 585 back packs for the program and gave a presentation at the Citizen Corps Conference held this week. He also reported that School Security upgrades of over \$4 million are done or are being completed. Also, Governor Rell sponsored two school programs, a K-12 Summit and a College seminar that included H1N1 updates and planning efforts. Bruce Lockwood, a member of the committee, is a member of the National Commission on Children and Disasters which is currently working on a pilot program involving the American Red cross, FEMA and Save the Children. Lastly, Public Act 139 will take effect in October which requires a Crisis Response Drill once a month in place of a fire drill.
- G. Regional Collaboration Committee – Libby Graham reported that the bylaws will be adopted at the next meeting. The Shelter database is being worked on cooperatively by DEMHS, the American Red Cross and the towns to update the data for WebEOC and the GIS mapping program.
- H. Medical Reserve Corps – Tom Gavaghan reported in the absence of Mary Duley. See attached report.
- I. Transportation Security Committee – Commissioner Boynton advised that this committee needs two new co-chairs and his hope is that DOT will provide one, and that the new Federal Security Director from TSA may be the other. Dave Rodriquez reported that 14 VIPR's took place this past weekend in locations all along the shoreline. Participants included MTA PD, DPS, local departments, the USCG, and the JTTF. They were very successful and included a surge on 9/11 at Stamford Rail for the morning rush and in the afternoon at three Bridgeport venues at the same time. Over 109 persons participated on that day alone.
- J. Public Health Advisory Committee – Len Guercia advised that DPH continues to provide updates on the H1N1 Novel Virus, and that the next meeting is scheduled for October. Additional information can be found under the H1N1 update below.
- K. Private Sector Committee – Mario Bruno reported that he and Sandra Brown had met with Scott Devico every few weeks over the summer to work on the committee's bylaws and organization. Letters have gone out to businesses for nominations to the committee and the first official meeting for the new group will be held in October.

Motion to accept committee reports was made by Bill Austin, seconded by Betsy Hard, unanimously approved.

## VI. UPDATES

- A. DEMHS Update: Commissioner Boynton discussed the budget adjustments for the current fiscal year and that DEMHS is working on meeting the budget mandates. He expressed his appreciation to the council for all the support for DEMHS and advised that Governor Rell has been very supportive as well. He has had meetings with Senator Stillman and other members of the Public Safety Committee and will continue to keep in contact with them.
- B. Grant Program – Libby Graham reported on the Five Year Strategic Plan for 2010-2015. See attached handouts. Also attached is the list of names for the Strategic Update Working committee. **\*\*Please RSVP or submit another individuals name if you are on the list\*\***
- C. CTIC – Tabled by Commissioner Boynton.
- D. Urban Search & Rescue – Bill Hackett reported that Brian Toolan has accepted the tasking as the Readiness Coordinator for US&R with the retirement of Vito Savino. His report is attached. Bill advised of the exercise that will be held at Bradley International Airport in Windsor Locks, and that with hurricane season upon us all equipment has been put in readiness mode. Len Guercia commented that the Mobile Field Hospital will also be at the Bradley exercise and complimented the inter-agency collaboration that is taking place.

- E. Legislation – Scott Devico asked that any legislative proposals for the 2010 session be sent to him no later than September 30<sup>th</sup> at [scott.devico@ct.gov](mailto:scott.devico@ct.gov) .
- F. H1N1 Update: Len Guercia reported that there are currently 1,926 laboratory confirmed cases of H1N1 flu in the state. There had been a 6 week lag in cases but the trend has been an increase in positive cases over the past two weeks. People are being treated for symptoms and physician practitioners are being recruited to provide vaccinations across the state. 947 have responded so far. The CDC remains on target with the distribution and amount of doses available. The CT allocation will be just under 500,000 doses in the first shipment, which will be given to the 5 top priority groups. Phase 3 grant funding will provide \$750,000 for Public Information/PSA's. With 900,000 school children, and an estimated 50,000 pregnant females in the state, EMS personnel may have limited access to the vaccine. Chief's of Service are reminded that PPE training and policies should be up to date. Updates will be provided through the Health Net and WebEOC and DPH anticipates daily public messages and weekly conference calls as the flu season progresses. The Vaccination Distribution Plan has been signed off by the Governor. Commissioner Boynton advised that weekly meetings are being held at the Commissioner level between DAS, DPH, DOE and DEMHS and that a Communications Team has been formed that includes state agencies and the Governor's Office.

## **VII. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. None.

## **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Bill Hackett presented the Northeast States Emergency Consortium (NESEC) Emergency Manager of the Year Award to Chief Dennis McCarthy of Norwalk. Chief McCarthy accepted in the presence of his wife, Barbara, and Bob McNelis of Bridgeport who nominated him for the award.
- B. Presentation by Mario Bruno on The New American Red Cross. See attached PowerPoint slides.
- C. FY09 Grant Allocation was presented by Libby Graham. See attached investment justifications for additional information. Motion made to endorse the FY09 grant allocation as presented by Bill Austin, second by Mario Bruno. Approved with two abstentions by Dan Stebbins and Dan Ronan.

## **IX. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- A. Region 2 EMD Meeting, Guilford Fire HQ (1pm & 6pm) – September 16, 2009
- B. Region 5 EMD Meeting, Reg. 5 Office, Southbury (1pm & 6pm) – September 21, 2009
- C. Disaster Assistance Division's Conference, Newport, RI – September 21, 2009
- D. WebEOC Monthly Training, Hartford Armory – September 25th, Oct. 29th, Nov. 23rd, 2009
- E. CERT Weekend 2009, CT Fire Academy – September 26-27, 2009
- F. Area Maritime Security Meeting – September 29, 2009
- G. Region 4 EMD Meeting, Groton Town Hall (2:30pm) & NECCOG Office (6:30pm) – Sept. 29, 2009
- H. Region 1 EMD Meeting, Region 1 Office, Bridgeport (9am) – October 6, 2009
- I. Region 3 EMD Meeting, Manchester Reg. Coordination Center (6pm) - October 7, 2009
- J. Region 3 EMD Meeting, East Hartford PD (1pm) – October 15, 2009
- K. Debris Management Workshop – November 13, 2009
- L. EMHSCC Report – due January 1, 2010

## **X. MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made to adjourn by Bill Austin; seconded by Betsy Hard; Unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 1058 hours by Commissioner Boynton.

## **XI. NEXT MEETING** – Thursday, **October 8, 2009** – Chief State's Attorney's Office, Rocky Hill, CT

**TO: Peter Boynton, Commissioner DEMHS**

FROM: Michael D. Varney, DOIT

RE: State of Connecticut, Interoperability Working Group Activities

DATE: September 2009

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Significant Points of update:

Held monthly meeting September 15<sup>th</sup> at the Department of Transportation in Rocky Hill. Regular business was conducted, additional detail and minutes available at [www.ct.gov/demhs](http://www.ct.gov/demhs) - communications. The next meeting will be held October 20<sup>th</sup>.

Public Safety Interoperable Communications (PSIC) Grant Program:

- Technical Sub-Committees have been meeting and working on investment justifications and will be all meeting again this month.
- Technical Assistance Requests were submitted for the 09-10 federal fiscal year.
- A SCIP update session was held at Rentschler Field June 17<sup>th</sup> facilitated by the DHS Office of OEC along with PSIC Steering Group.

Broadband Stimulus Application

- An application was submitted by DOIT coordinated with the Governors office and several other agencies for \$109 million dollars. Application asks for amongst other items to complete the public safety data network build-out to the remaining public safety facilities not included within the existing phase initiated.

Regional Emergency Communications Coordination Working Group (RECCWG) (FEMA R1)

- CT hosted last meeting at the CT Fire Academy July 15<sup>th</sup>
- The Next Meeting will be held in Augusta, Maine on September 23<sup>rd</sup>

Other Items:

- The Interoperable Emergency Communications Grant Programs are in progress in the five regions and the FY09 Grant packages have been sent to the regions.
- The Committee is investigating and will be pursuing offering comment regarding the 700 MHZ "D" block from the public safety spectrum trust for statewide use.
- CSPERN – The first additional allocation of mobile radios to local law enforcement will be later this month.

**Connecticut Statewide Citizen Corps Council  
Advisory Committee Minutes  
July 23, 2009**

**Attendees:** Bill Austin (Chair); Roy Piper (DEMHS); Sylvia Dake (Town of Andover); Ted Janelle (Southington Fire ); Art McLean (American Legion); Michael Tomelli (CCRPA); Norma Peterson (Fairfield CERT); Virginia Mason (COGCNV); Don Moore (Bloomfield CERT); Don Janelle (Manchester OEM); Holly June Jacobs (Manchester CERT); Dagmar Noll ( WINCOG); Dan Dube (East Hartford OEM/CREPC); Viola Heath (CRCOG)

Chairman Bill Austin called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. followed by pledge of allegiance and introductions of all present.

**Public Comments:** No public comments.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Approval of the June 18, 2009 meeting minutes will be made at the September meeting.

**Guest Speaker:** No guest speaker

**Report on State DEMHS Coordinating Council Meeting:** Chairman Austin reported there will be no DEMHS Coordinating Council meeting July and August.

**Old Business:**

- **Statewide Operational Update:** Updates and changes to CERT Pending Training, In Training, CERT Trained, NET Trained, and Personnel Trained lists will be made at the September meeting.
- **Correspondence:** Chairman Austin read correspondence received to the group.
- **Certificate of Appreciation for CERT/ Awards Recognition Program:** Chairman Austin announced that anyone wishing to submit their CERT team or team member(s) for the award recognition program should send their application to him via e-mail no later than August 15, 2009.
- **Statewide Citizen Corps Council Conference Committee Update:** Chairman Austin announced that the required DEMHS procedures allowing a conference registration fee charge will take up to four months to setup. Due to the timing of the conference, there will not be a registration charge to attend this year.

**New Business**

- **NET Program:** The NET program will roll out at the Statewide Citizen Corps conference in September. The program was not presented at the National Sheriff's Association All Hazards Community Partnership training June 27, 2009.

- **CERT Team Funding And Funding Requests:**

**Category A:**

- **Town of Middletown Wesleyan Campus CERT)** – Approved for \$3,025 for basic CERT training for 25 people.
- **Manchester CERT** – Approved for \$3,125 for basic CERT training of 25 people. No backpacks
- **East Hartford CERT** – Approved for \$1,950 for basic CERT training of 30 people
- **Bethany** – Approved for \$1,300 for basic CERT training of 20 people

A motion to approve the category A request was made by Virginia Mason Seconded by Dagmar Noll. All in favor so voted.

**Category B:**

- **Bloomfield** – Approved for \$2,000 for equipment.
- **Bethel** – Approved for \$1,305.50 for equipment.
- **Town of Scotland** – Approved for \$2,000 for equipment

A motion to approve the Category B requests was made by Dan Dube Seconded by Norma Peterson. All in favor so voted.

**Category C:**

**Housatonic Valley Council of Elected Officials** – Approved for \$4,000

**Windham (WINCOG)** – Approved for \$4,000

**Council of Governments of Central Naugatuck Valley** – Approved for \$4,000

**CCRPA** – Approved for \$4,000

A motion to approve these Category C requests was made by Dan Dube Seconded by Dagmar Noll. All in favor so voted.

**Suspense Removed:**

None

**Suspended Applications:**

None

**Other Business:**

- **CERT Weekend:** CERT Weekend will be held September 26 and 27 at the Connecticut Fire Academy, Windsor Locks.
- Chairman Austin asked the group to be familiar with the CERT SOP Update and CERT Activation Policy.

**Next Meeting Date: The next meeting will be at West Hartford Town Hall, Council Chambers 2:00 p.m. September 17, 2009**

Future Meeting dates: October 22, 2009, November 19, 2009 and December 17, 2009

Statewide MRC Advisory Committee  
Report to the DEMHS Coordinating Council  
September 2009

The State Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) Advisory Committee met on July 31, 2009 at the CT Hospital Association.

The five (5) regional MRC leads were provided guidelines for submitting applications and budgets for year 2 capacity building funding (\$50K per region) and were encouraged to send their respective applications to DPH as soon as possible so the 2009-2010 contract process can begin.

Additional MRC funding opportunities: All CT MRC units submitted capacity building funding applications to NACCHO prior to the September 15th deadline. In addition, the CDC has released Phase III guidance to states for H1N1 vaccination procedures/response for the fall, and an additional \$300,000 was submitted in the application's budget for volunteer recruitment, training, etc... CT should be notified by the end of September if the budget was approved.

The work, which began in May to revise the MRC SOP/Activation Process to align it more closely with the revised CERT activation policy, is still being worked on by DPH and DEMHS. The State MRC Coordinator will meet with DEMHS legal Council the end of this month to finalize the process.

The Citizen Corps Council Annual Meeting held Monday and Tuesday September 14 and 15, 2009 at Water's Edge in Westbrook included representation from Medical Reserve Corps leaders and member volunteers. As in previous years, CT MRC leadership prepared a session/track relative to collaboration between MRC and CERT. Dawn Sibor, Public Health Preparedness Coordinator from Belmont, MA MRC, presented a session entitled MRC and CERT Join Force. Dawn demonstrated advantages of sharing resources and how Belmont programs work side by side staffing shelters and supporting Point of Distribution (POD) clinics.

A copy of this report will be submitted to DEMHS for inclusion with the Coordinating Council meeting minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Grace Duley, MA, RN, State MRC Coordinator

# DEMHS

## STRATEGY UPDATE

### WORKING COMMITTEE

Member	Jurisdiction Representing
Leonard Guercia	Public Health
Cheryl Assis	COG/RPO
Denis McCarthy	Hazmat
Michael Maglione	Fire
Murray Pendleton	CTIC
William Austin	Citizen Corps
Dr. Wilds	DEP
Dr. Evans	Local Health Dept
TBD	DOT
James O'Leary	Council Small Towns
Jeffrey Morrisette	Fire Academy
Lisa Skelly	FBI
John Lawler	Public Works
Capt Dennell Johnson	Military Dept
Michael Varney	DOIT
Ray Philbrick	Public Works
Robert Labanara	Ct Council of Municip.
Sandra Brown	Hospital
Lt. George Battle	DPS
Thomas Flaherty	Police Stds and Trng Council
Mark Paquette	COG/RPO
TBD	DMHAS
Wayne Kasacek	Dept of Agr
Doug Dortenzio	Police Chief Assoc.
Michael Spera	EMD Assoc.
Deb Ferrari	DEMHS- REP Unit
William Hackett/Dana Conover	DEMHS-Operations
Melanie Kerr/Dave Brown	DEMHS-Training
Sgt. Kelly	CI/KR

\* Please RSVP for **September 30, 2009** meeting, (to be held at the DEMHS training room at the Brainard facility, 1:00-3:30 PM) by **September 23, 2009** to Rita Reiss by phone at 860-256-0922 or by email at [rita.reiss@ct.gov](mailto:rita.reiss@ct.gov).

# CONNECTICUT ALL-HAZARDS HOMELAND SECURITY STRATEGY:

2010 – 2015

## Draft Development Process

1. Kick-off: September 16 Emergency Management & Homeland Security Coordinating Council Meeting
  - a. Introduce and define strategic planning elements:
    - i. Strategic Plan
    - ii. Vision
    - iii. Mission [4 areas defined]
    - iv. Strategic Goals
      1. Common (Guiding Principles; Tools to Achieve Goals):
        - a. Federal: TCL / Nat'l Strategy / NRF
        - b. State of CT: HS Strategy, State, Regional & Local Plans
      2. Prevention
      3. Protection
      4. Response
      5. Recovery
  - b. Announce working group membership
  - c. Announce work group meeting dates for assessing current capabilities, identifying desired capabilities by mission area and brainstorming solutions. Meeting will be staff-facilitated discussions:
    - i. **Prevention - September 30, 2009, 1-3:30 PM**
    - ii. **Protection - September 30, 2009, 1-3:30 PM**
    - iii. **Response - October 16, 2009, 9-11:30 AM**
    - iv. **Recovery - October 16 2009, 9-11:30 AM**
  - d. Staff to draft working group findings, including gap analysis (difference between desired capabilities and current capabilities), Staff to refine statewide mission and vision statements, goals and primary objectives incorporating working group findings as appropriate. Distribute November 5 in advance of **November 12** EMHSCC meeting.
2. Staff to incorporate EMHSCC comments and redistribute by **November 19** to working group; make adjustments and distribute to EMHSCC **December 4**, in advance of the **December 10** EMHSCC meeting.
3. Finalize Strategic Plan by incorporating:
  - a. Mission
  - b. Vision
  - c. Goals by mission area
  - d. Objectives
  - e. Implementation Steps.

**Publish and disseminate January 2010**

4. Use Strategic Plan to make programmatic and fiscal decisions across all agencies for period 2010-2015.

**WORKING GROUP CALENDAR\***

September 30	Discuss current capabilities, desired capabilities and brain storm solutions for <b>Prevention and Protection</b> capabilities
October 16	Discuss current capabilities, desired capabilities and brain storm solutions for <b>Response and Recovery</b> capabilities
October 22	Review and finalize all staff-facilitated document
October 30	Achieve consensus on final staff edited products
November 5	Email to EMHSCC members in advance of November 12 meeting
November 12	Present to EMHSCC
November 19	Staff incorporates EMHSCC comments into document
November 30	Achieve working group consensus on document to present to EMHSCC
December 4	Email to EMHSCC members in advance of December 10 meeting
December 10	Present Final Document to EMHSCC for Approval. Obtain approval.

\* Facilitated by DEMHS Staff

## **CT URBAN SEARCH & RESCUE (CT-TF1)**

September 4, 2009

From Brian J. Toolan, USAR Coordinator

Subj.: DEMHS Coordinating Council Meeting

### **Events:**

- Command Staff meeting was held on September 2, 2009 at 0900 hours at Brainard. Discussions were held on upcoming training exercises, status of equipment, MOU's (DOT and TF Members).
- Additional Command Staff meeting will be as follows for 2009, 11/4/09, and 12/2/09.
- September 18, 2009 East Lyme Safety Fair
- **September 25 – 27, 2009 Bradley Airport Live Fire Training**
- **September 9, 2009 Admin Day September 10 and 11, 2009 – Breaching and Breaking**
- **October – K9 Rescue**
- **October 11, 2009 Monroe FD appreciation day**
- **December – Structure Collapse Training**

### **FEMA Equivalent USAR Training for 2009:** Date to be determined

- Safety Officer Course taught by the CFA.
- Task Force Leader Course taught by the CFA.
- Planning taught by the CFA.
- Info Tech Course taught by the CFA.
- Structural Collapse Technician Course taught by the CFA.

**Advisory Board:** - Next meeting, Date and location to be determined.

### **Equipment:**

- The trucks are loaded and ready to roll out the door. They are about 99% stocked. Local 478 Operating Engineers have completed the building of a steel racks for our lumber truck.
- 3 more Roll-Off compatible container used for Lumber and Western Shelters in our Base of Operations have arrived and are in the process of being stocked.
- See Deployment Numbers Listed Below.

**To activate CT-TF1 to assist at your incident scene, call:  
DEMHS at 860-566-3180 or 860-708-0821– Pager 24/7**

**or**

**CT Public Safety Message Center 1-800-842-0200**

### **Future Items:**

- ✓ Five budgeted part time positions on the Task Force are still vacant.  
The part time positions will assist in the daily operation at Brainard regarding the Task Force.
- ✓ MOU between DEMHS and DOT is being worked on for use of the pile at Bradley.
- ✓ Interview new applicants for additional team members.



**STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT  
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**FACT  
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M. Jodi Rell  
Governor

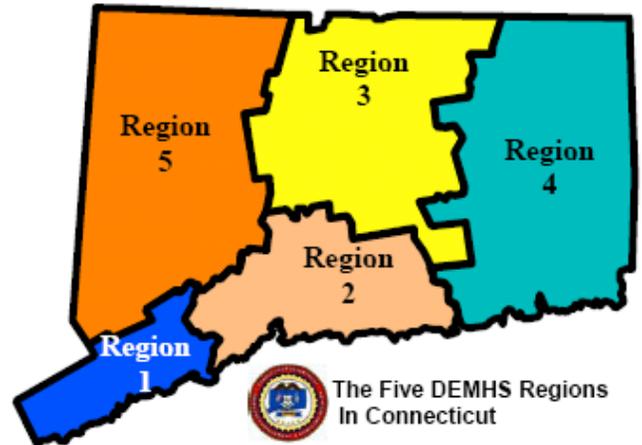
Peter J. Boynton, Commissioner

**INVESTMENT #1 – EXPANDED REGIONAL COLLABORATION**

Updated on September 16, 2009

**SUMMARY**

This Investment cuts across the planning functions of 7 of the 10 FY2009 Investments. The purpose of the Investment is to continue to promote a regional approach to all-hazards planning and response both within CT and beyond its borders. Regional Emergency Planning Teams (REPTs) will continue to work with DEMHS staff and “Coordinating” Regional Planning Organizations to expand mutual aid through enhanced regional collaboration. Resource typing work will continue (version 1.0) and construction of Regional Emergency Support Plans (RESPs) will be completed by 12/31/09. DEMHS staff will provide planning and training services to each of the 5 DEMHS regions in consultation with the REPTs. Connecticut will participate with its neighbors on initiatives and grants of mutual concern (e.g. Transit, Regional Catastrophic Planning etc.)



**FUNDING APPROVED FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2009**

Investment #1	FY 2009 Homeland Security Grant Program Request					FY 2009 HSGP Request Total	Other Funding Sources Applied	Grand Total
	SHSP	UASI		MMRS	CCP			
Personnel	1,066,933	0	0	0	0	\$1,066,933	\$0	\$1,066,933
Planning	1,000,000	0	0	0	0	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000
Organization	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment	4,025,000	0	0	0	0	\$4,025,000	\$0	\$4,025,000
Training	519,202	0	0	0	0	\$519,202	\$0	\$519,202
Exercises	250,000	0	0	0	0	\$250,000	\$0	\$250,000
M&A	212,200	0	0	0	0	\$212,200	\$0	\$212,200
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,217,702</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$7,217,702</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$7,217,702</b>

**Budget Description:** Five Regional Planners (\$543,923), five Regional Trainers (\$519,202) will be supported. Five Regional Emergency Planning Teams through Coordinating RPOs or municipalities will receive a total of \$1,250,000 risk-based funding and \$3,750,000 (\$50,000/exercise, \$200,000/planning and \$500,000/equipment for each region). Mandated Federal requirements for the structure of the grant also require that \$275,000 be dedicated to Law Enforcement functions within this grant and will support the needs of state Law Enforcement Agencies. This investment also supports DEMHS staff (\$663,046) within the SPGA as they manage the investments resulting from the FY 2009 grant. M&A funding (\$212,200) to support DEMHS staff working on all Investments is included in this Investment.

**Implementation Strategy:** DEMHS will manage this Investment through REPT Steering Committees in Regions 2, 4 and 5 that oversee the work of the REPTs. Regions 3, 4 and 5 have “Coordinating” RPOs that work directly with DEMHS to implement project activities. DEMHS SPGA Program Management Staff have each been assigned a Region to administer and are working with the RPOs and REPTs in each of the 5 Regions. Region 1 relies on the City of Bridgeport to administer its funds. Region 2 funds are administered by DEMHS. Pam Daniels of the SPGA conducts the strategic planning for this investment and reports to the Manager of the SPGA who oversees this Investment.



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Peter J. Boynton, Commissioner

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**INVESTMENT #2 – CTIC / FUSION CENTER / CIKR / JTTF**

Updated on September 16, 2009

**SUMMARY**

This Investment will strengthen the operational capabilities of the Connecticut Intelligence Center (CTIC), enhance the fusion center component of CTIC and continue the cooperation between CT's Critical Infrastructure / Key Resources (CI/KR) program, JTTF and CTIC.

CTIC will continue to gather information via Regional Intelligence Liaison Officers (RILOs), the CT State Police and the FBI to expand CT's capability to interdict and deter IED attacks. A new CI/KR assessment tool (C/ACAMS) was introduced in 2009 and will be utilized to measure CI/KR. The JTTF will continue investigations and share information with CTIC. The CTIC Policy Board will use results of its capabilities self assessment to further enhance services.



**FUNDING APPROVED FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2009**

Investment #2	FY 2009 Homeland Security Grant Program Request					FY 2009 HSGP Request Total	Other Funding Sources Applied	Grand Total
	SHSP	UASI	LETPP	MMRS	CCP			
Personnel	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Planning	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$225,000	\$225,000
Organization	548,000	0	0	0	0	\$548,000	\$0	\$548,000
Equipment	130,000	0	0	0	0	\$130,000	\$0	\$130,000
Training	120,000	0	0	0	0	\$120,000	\$0	\$120,000
Exercises	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
M&A	24,680	0	0	0	0	\$24,680	\$0	\$24,680
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$822,680</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$822,680</b>	<b>\$225,000</b>	<b>\$1,047,680</b>

**Budget Description:** One Intelligence Analyst is supported for one year in this Investment (\$98,000). The FBI Funding for 1 Intelligence Liaison is shown as other funding sources applied to this Investment (\$225,000). Stipends for local law enforcement officers working at CTIC are included (\$300,000) for 1 year. Overtime funding (\$30,000) and revolving operational costs (\$40,000) are included for CTIC, JTTF and CI/KR staff. 15 CI/KR Training Kits are funded (\$60,000) and funding for the CTIC move to Sigourney Street (\$30,000), and C/ACAMS training for threat based assessments (\$45,000). Training allocations include a \$60,000 sub-grant to POST and \$15,000 for a Municipal ILO Conference. Two Regional Critical Infrastructure Liaisons are also supported by this investment (\$120,000). M&A funding (\$24,680) to support staff working on this Investment is also included.

**Implementation Strategy:** The project manager for this Investment will be Kenneth Rigney, EPPS in the DEMHS SPGA unit who works for Elizabeth Graham, Manager of the SPGA within DEMHS. A CTIC Executive Policy Board has the authority to commit resources in order to further guide the growth and development of CTIC. Fiscal and administrative management of CTIC will fall under the Policy Board which is chaired by the DEMHS Commissioner supported by Ken Rigney and Elizabeth Graham.



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**INVESTMENT #3 – CBRNE DETECTION / IED ATTACK DETERRENCE**

Updated on September 16, 2009

**SUMMARY**

This investment will Strengthen Connecticut's CBRNE Detection and IED Attack Deterrence Capabilities by properly equipping and training state and regional response teams. This investment will continue the goal of equipping all four State Bomb Squads with similar equipment. Specifically this investment will replace PPE for each of the 10 State teams (4 Bomb Squads and 6 Hazmat Teams). Funding for an annual Urban Search and Rescue Exercise is also included in this investment. Other federal funding from the Emergency Management Performance Grant will be used to equip and train a pro-active Nuclear / Radiological Detection Team.



**FUNDING APPROVED FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2009**

Investment #3	FY 2009 Homeland Security Grant Program Request					FY 2009 HSGP Request Total	Other Funding Sources Applied	Grand Total
	SHSP	UASI	LETPP	MMRS	CCP			
Personnel	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Planning	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Organization	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment	400,000	0	0	0	0	\$400,000	\$0	\$400,000
Training	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Exercises	15,000	0	0	0	0	\$15,000	\$0	\$15,000
M&A	12,835	0	0	0	0	\$12,835	\$0	\$12,835
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$427,835</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$427,835</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$427,835</b>

**Budget Narrative Summary:** This investment will include purchase of purchase Level A and Level B suits and other equipment for the 4 Regional Bomb Squads and 6 Regional Hazmat Teams (\$400,000). This investment also provides funding for an Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) Annual Exercise (\$15,000). Other federal funding from the Emergency Management Performance Grant will be used to equip and train a pro-active Nuclear / Radiological Detection Team (\$150,000). M&A funding to support staff working on this Investment is also included (\$12,835).

**Implementation Strategy:** The administration and management of this Investment will be overseen by Mark Scerra, Emergency Preparedness Program Specialist (EPPS) within the Strategic Planning and Grants Administration (SPGA) Unit within DEMHS. Mark is currently overseeing several large scale CBRNE planning functions (e.g. Bomb, Hazmat Teams and USAR). Mark will work with the DEMHS Training Coordinator and Quartermaster to administer this Investment. Regular meetings are conducted with the 5 Hazmat Team Leaders, Bomb Squad Commanding Officers, and the USAR Team Leader. All Team equipment purchases are reviewed by Mark to conform to the Authorized Equipment List (AEL).



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**INVESTMENT #4 – MEDICAL PREPARATION AND RESPONSE**

Updated on September 16, 2009

**SUMMARY**

This Investment is in its fourth year and supports an ongoing program between the CT Department of Public Health and DEMHS to enhance the State readiness to respond to an attack or natural disaster through a comprehensive program of planning, training, and exercises in combination with existing mass prophylaxis programs and Connecticut's 13 Medical Reserve Corps. This Investment will provide training of medical personnel in mobile field hospitals as part of a New England Disaster Training Center and the execution of a Clinical Trauma Response Practical Exercise. It will also enhance our ability to train local responders in confined space rescue and interaction with air assets in a disaster situation.



**FUNDING APPROVED FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2009**

Investment #4	FY 2009 Homeland Security Grant Program Request					FY 2009 HSGP Request Total	Other Funding Sources Applied	Grand Total
	SHSP	UASI	LETPP	MMRS	CCP			
Personnel	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Planning	125,000	0	0	0	0	\$125,000	\$721,000	\$846,000
Organization	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment	5,000	0	0	0	0	\$5,000	\$8,000,000	\$8,005,000
Training	100,000	0	0	0	0	\$100,000	\$75,000	\$175,000
Exercises	25,000	0	0	0	0	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000
M&A	7,887	0	0	0	0	\$7,887	\$0	\$7,887
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$262,887</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$262,887</b>	<b>\$8,796,000</b>	<b>\$9,058,887</b>

**Budget Narrative Summary:** This Investment contains funding for the development of a curriculum and subject matter experts for the New England Disaster Training Center (\$25,000), cross-over and integrated training of medical personnel in the operation of a mobile field hospital (\$100,000), a clinical trauma response practical exercise (\$25,000), pass-through funding to 13 MRCs (\$100,000) and equipment funding for the MCI Trailers (\$5,000). Funding for MRC's will be equally matched by DPH-administered federal grant funds. This Investment funding is matched with funding from the CDC (\$721,000) and funding from the Department of Defense (8,000,000) for the New England Disaster Training Center. M&A funding to support staff working on this Investment is also included (\$7,887).

**Implementation Strategy:** The Connecticut Department of Public Health (CTDPH) will implement and oversee this initiative in cooperation with a DEMHS project manager Douglas Glowacki. Doug works with DPH on several highly technical programs including the Mark I Nerve Agent Antidote program, Pandemic Influenza, and Mass Fatality Management planning. Doug will work with Len Guercia, a Manager for DPH. Len will review the DPH staffing configuration to assign 13 staff members to administer (Grant Administration, Planning, Training, Laboratory work, and Field work) this Investment. Each planner will specialize in a medical field directly related to this Investment. Collectively, these planners will also work with the Centers for Excellence and local health directors to share information and training on CBRNE and pandemic flu threats.



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**INVESTMENT #5 – PUBLIC OUTREACH AND PREPAREDNESS**

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**SUMMARY**

This investment will continue a four year program of public outreach and preparedness led by DEMHS. Successful emergency preparedness is dependent on three key features; well-prepared emergency responders, a contingent of volunteers prepared to assist, and an informed and engaged public. The capabilities of the responder community to prevent, respond to, and recover from an all-hazards incident have improved dramatically. Many citizens have been trained as emergency volunteers. This investment will encourage an engaged and knowledgeable public, through a variety of public information and education initiatives, Connecticut's citizens will be informed of potential threats and how they can minimize their risks at home, at school, and in the workplace. This investment also provides resources for information and rumor control services.



**FUNDING APPROVED FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2009**

Investment #5	FY 2009 Homeland Security Grant Program Request					FY 2009 HSGP Request Total	Other Funding Sources Applied	Grand Total
	SHSP	UASI	LETPP	MMRS	CCP			
Personnel	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Planning	250,000	0	0	0	0	\$250,000	\$2,862,500	\$3,112,500
Organization	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment	25,000	0	0	0	0	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000
Training	45,000	0	0	0	0	\$45,000	\$0	\$45,000
Exercises	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
M&A	9,897	0	0	0	0	\$9,897	\$0	\$9,897
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$329,897</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$329,897</b>	<b>\$2,862,500</b>	<b>\$3,192,397</b>

**Budget Narrative Summary:** This investment will develop and implement homeland security support programs and adopt DHS National Initiatives as well as conduct a Public Awareness Campaign (\$150,000). This Investment will fund Information and Referral and Rumor Control Service (\$100,000) and STEP Kits for public awareness outreach efforts to 4<sup>th</sup> graders and their families (\$25,000). This investment funds a training conference conducted by the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (\$15,000), a School Security Conference is also being funded (\$15,000), and a Public/Private Security Conference is being funded (\$15,000). Other matching funding for this investment is provided from a Public Awareness Campaign being conducted by CT DOT and CT Transit. M&A funding to support staff working on this Investment is also included (\$9,897).

**Implementation Strategy:** The Management of this Investment will be overseen by Bill Halstead, Regional Planner within the SPGA Unit within DEMHS. Bill Halstead is overseeing several large scale planning functions (e.g. Interoperable Communications, Urban Area Security Initiative etc.). Bill will work with the DEMHS leadership and other stakeholders to administer this Investment.



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**INVESTMENT #6 – ALL HAZARDS PREPAREDNESS PLANNING**

Updated on September 16, 2009

**SUMMARY**

A variety of activities will be pursued under this Investment all of which will enhance preparedness planning in CT. Identification and assessment of emergency power generation capability within targeted sectors (shelters, hospitals, schools) will be conducted. Incident Management Teams will be established in each Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security Region to serve as a quick reaction force in the event of a State Emergency.



**FUNDING APPROVED FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2009**

Investment #6	FY 2009 Homeland Security Grant Program Request					FY 2009 HSGP Request Total	Other Funding Sources Applied	Grand Total
	SHSP	UASI	LETPP	MMRS	CCP			
Personnel	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Planning	100,000	0	0	0	0	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000
Organization	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Training	25,000	0	0	0	0	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000
Exercises	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
M&A	3,866	0	0	0	0	\$3,866	\$0	\$3,866
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$128,866</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$128,866</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$128,866</b>

**Budget Narrative Summary:** This investment provides funding for the identification and assessment of emergency power generation capability within targeted sectors (shelters, hospitals, schools) in the amount of \$100,000. This Investment also allocates \$25,000 to establish Incident Management Teams in each of the 5 Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security Regions. M&A funding to support staff working on this Investment is also included (\$3,866).

**Implementation Strategy:** The Management of this Investment will be overseen by Bill Halstead, Regional Planner within the SPGA Unit within DEMHS. Bill Halstead is overseeing several large scale planning functions (e.g. Interoperable Communications, Urban Area Security Initiative etc.). Bill will work with the DEMHS leadership and other stakeholders to administer this Investment.



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**INVESTMENT #7 – METROPOLITAN MEDICAL RESPONSE SYSTEM**

Updated on September 16, 2009

**SUMMARY**

This Investment will support the activities of the Capitol Region Metropolitan Medical Response System (CRMMRS) of Hartford with regard to IED deterrence, prevention, protection, and preparedness planning, in accordance with the Target Capabilities List and applicable national plans and strategies, and with the MMRS program deliverables.

The Investment continues the work of CRMMRS to improve and enhance the capabilities of the 42 communities in the Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security Region 3 to mitigate, prevent, respond to, and to recover from multi-casualty incidents regardless of cause. Capitol Region Metropolitan Medical Response System products serve as planning templates for the other sub-state regional planning entities and for state agencies.



**FUNDING APPROVED FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2009**

Investment #7	FY 2009 Homeland Security Grant Program Request					FY 2009 HSGP Request Total	Other Funding Sources Applied	Grand Total
	SHSP	UASI	LETPP	MMRS	CCP			
Personnel	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	0
Planning	0	0	0	122,500	0	122,500	\$0	122,500
Organization	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	0
Equipment	0	0	0	129,085	0	129,085	\$0	129,085
Training	0	0	0	35,000	0	35,000	\$0	35,000
Exercises	0	0	0	25,000	0	25,000	\$0	25,000
M&A	0	0	0	9,636	0	9,636	\$0	9,636
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$321,221</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$321,221</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$321,221</b>

<p><b>Budget Summary Narrative:</b> This Investment will provide funding for: contractor support to the CRMMRS (\$122,500), MMRS Pharmaceutical Stockpile (\$25,000), Electronic Patient Tracking System (\$73,085), MRC Durable Goods Cache (\$31,000), Travel and Conference Attendance (\$15,000), ESF-8 Specific Crisis and Consequence Management (\$20,000) and exercise funding for CREPC (\$25,000). M&amp;A funding to support staff working on this Investment is also included (\$9,636).</p>	<p><b>Implementation Strategy:</b> The CRCOG administers these entitlement funds which are intended to enhance capabilities across the region. The Capitol Region MMRS (CR-MMRS) is a planning and operational asset of the DEMHS Region 3 RESF 8 (Public Health and Medical). RESF 8 functions as one of 21 RESF's as identified in the Regional Emergency Deployment (RED) Plan approved by the 42 communities participating in the CR-MMRS jurisdiction. The CR-MMRS Steering Committee is comprised of the Chairs of all of the RESF's identified in the RED Plan. The CR-MMRS Program Director is a full-time paid position through the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG). The CR-MMRS Program Director also functions as the Chair of RESF 8 for planning and operational purposes. Implementation of the goals contained in the MMRS is administered by the Program Director who is assigned by the CR-MMRS to administer the program through the Steering Committee.</p>
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**INVESTMENT #8 – CITIZEN CORPS PROGRAM**

Updated on September 16, 2009

**SUMMARY**

The FY 2009 Citizen Corps Program (CCP) funds provide resources for the State and local communities to: 1) sustain a Citizen Corps Council; 2) conduct public education and outreach; 3) develop training programs for the public, for both all-hazards preparedness and volunteer responsibilities; 4) facilitate citizen participation in exercises; 5) implement volunteer programs and activities to support emergency responders; 6) involve citizens in surge capacity roles and responsibilities during an incident in alignment with the Emergency Support Functions and Annexes; and 7) conduct evaluations of programs and activities.



**FUNDING APPROVED FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2009**

Investment #8	FY 2009 Homeland Security Grant Program Request					FY 2009 HSGP Request Total	Other Funding Sources Applied	Grand Total
	SHSP	UASI	LETPP	MMRS	CCP			
Personnel	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	0
Planning	0	0	0	0	57,832	57,832	\$0	57,832
Organization	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	0
Equipment	0	0	0	0	70,000	70,000	\$0	70,000
Training	0	0	0	0	65,254	65,254	\$0	65,254
Exercises	0	0	0	0	10,000	10,000	\$0	10,000
M&A	0	0	0	0	6,281	6,281	\$0	6,281
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$209,367</b>	<b>\$209,367</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$209,367</b>

**Budget Summary Narrative:** This investment partially supports a planner (\$57,832) who is responsible for managing the CCP. This investment also provides funding for Mission specific equipment utilized by the CERT, Fire Corps, and Neighborhood Watch Programs (\$70,000), training programs including instructor fees, rental space, fire extinguisher refills, medical supplies for classes (\$65,254) and an exercise program including the participation costs of volunteers in 5 regional exercises and 1 major statewide exercise during the FY2009 fiscal year at a total cost of \$10,000. M&A funding to support staff working on this Investment is also included (\$6,281).

**Implementation Strategy:** The authority for the establishment of Citizen Corps Council Programs is found in the National Strategy for Homeland Security. The Connecticut Statewide Citizens Corps Council Advisory Committee was established by formal vote of the Connecticut Emergency Management and Homeland Security Coordinating Council at its regular monthly meeting on February 10, 2005. The committee is composed of a cross-section of all response disciplines, faith-based, non-profit, and private-sector agencies. Implementation of Projects occurs through this Committee with administrative support from a staff member at DEMHS.



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**INVESTMENT #9 – NIMS / ICS TRAINING & EXERCISE PROGRAM**

Updated on September 16, 2009

**SUMMARY**

This Investment will continue to provide first responders and other officials training in the National Response Framework and the National Incident Management System as outlined in the Connecticut Training Plan. The Investment will promote development of All Hazards Incident Management Teams to fill local, regional, and state voids in the command and control structure during large scale and prolonged events that exceed local and regional capabilities. The Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security Training Unit will deliver Command, General Staff, and Position Specific training for the All Hazards Incident Management Teams. Connecticut will also complete its NIMSCAST Report under this Investment.



**FUNDING APPROVED FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2009**

Investment #9	FY 2009 Homeland Security Grant Program Request					FY 2009 HSGP Request Total	Other Funding Sources Applied	Grand Total
	SHSP	UASI	LETPP	MMRS	CCP			
Personnel	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Planning	100,000	0	0	0	0	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000
Organization	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Training	135,000	0	0	0	0	\$135,000	\$0	\$135,000
Exercises	150,000	0	0	0	0	\$150,000	\$0	\$150,000
M&A	11,907	0	0	0	0	\$11,907	\$0	\$11,907
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$396,907</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$396,907</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$396,907</b>

**Budget Summary Narrative:** This investment provides funding for Continuity of Operations (COOP) Planning for Local Municipalities and Businesses (\$100,000). This investment also provides funding for several training initiatives including delivery of EMI G Programs, HSEEP Training and NIMS/ICS Training (\$135,000) and several exercise programs including statewide weather exercises and local exercise support (\$105,000). Finally this investment provides funding for several new initiatives including a Companion Animal Disease Exercise (\$20,000), Livestock and Poultry Disease Exercise (\$20,000), and funding for WEB EOC and GIS (\$5,000). M&A funding to support staff working on this Investment is also included (\$11,907).

**Implementation Strategy:** Project Management Team Structure: The administration and management of this Investment will be overseen by David Brown, MEP and Supervisor of the Training and Exercise Unit within DEMHS. Dave and his staff conduct training and exercises statewide. In addition, training is delivered by POST and the Connecticut Fire Academy on behalf of DEMHS. The Training and Exercise Unit reports out to the EMHSCC to assure timely implementation of this initiative based on pre-defined milestones.



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**INVESTMENT #10 – INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS**

Updated on September 16, 2009

**SUMMARY**

This investment is largely a placeholder for potential interoperable communications projects which may arise during the FFY 2009 performance period. Most of the current interoperable communications funding is provided through the FY 2008 Interoperable Emergency Communications Grant and the FY 2007 Public Safety Interoperable Communications Grant.

Two specific projects are included in this grant for FFY 2009. DEMHS will use funding for interoperable communications equipment purchased with Homeland Security funding. DEMHS will also purchase and install a video teleconferencing network to allow video teleconferencing with the DEMHS Regional Offices.



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Investment #9	FY 2009 Homeland Security Grant Program Request					FY 2009 HSGP Request Total	Other Funding Sources Applied	Grand Total
	SHSP	UASI	LETPP	MMRS	CCP			
Personnel	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	0
Planning	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	0
Organization	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	0
Equipment	100,000	0	0	0	0	100,000	\$0	100,000
Training	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	0
Exercises	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	0
M&A	3,093	0	0	0	0	3,093	\$0	3,093
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$103,093</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$103,093</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$103,093</b>

**Budget Summary Narrative:** This investment provides funding (\$50,000) for interoperable communications equipment purchased with Homeland Security funding (e.g. Battery Replacement). This investment also provides funding (\$50,000) to purchase and install a video teleconferencing network to allow video teleconferencing with the DEMHS Regional Offices. M&A funding to support staff working on this Investment is also included (\$3,093). The remainder of this investment is a placeholder for future projects which may arise during the FFY 2009 performance period.

**Implementation Strategy:** Project Management Team Structure: The administration and management of this Investment will be overseen by a DEMHS Strategic Planning and Grant Administration staff person to be determined who will report to Elizabeth Graham. Ms. Graham will report out to the EMHSCC to assure timely implementation of this initiative based on pre-defined milestones.

# American Red Cross in CT DEMHS Council briefing



Report: we can save a life



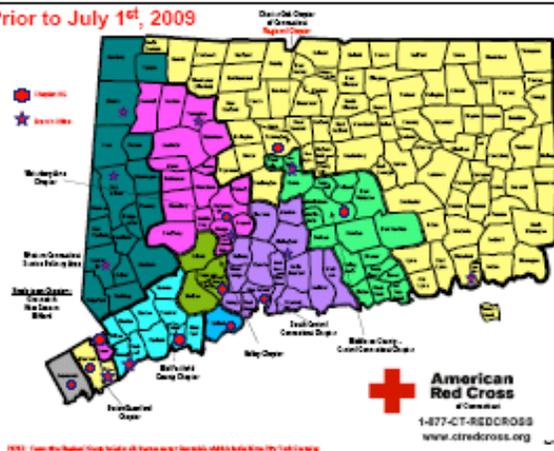
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## One Red Cross Goals

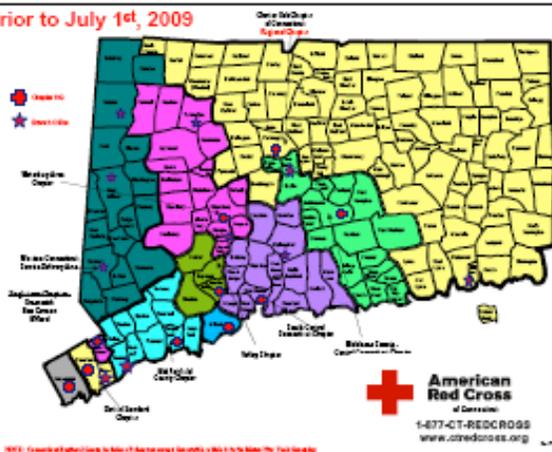
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  - Preparedness
  - Disaster Response
- **Operating Efficiencies**
  - Back office operations
  - Marketing messages
- **Revenue Maximization**
  - Coordinated fund raising
  - World class products/services
- **Financial Controls**
- **Employee and Volunteer Satisfaction**
  - Clear accountability
  - Sharing best practices



## Prior to July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009

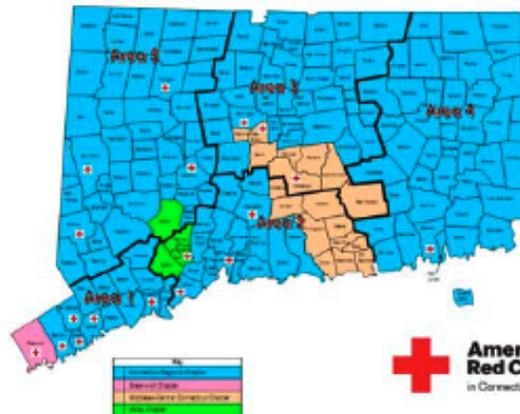


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## The Big Five

- Sheltering – 3 days to peak / 5 days sustained
- Feeding – 6 hours to engage / 10K meals/day
- Assessment / Information – Before/During/After
- Government Liaison – All and Proactive / 5 days
- Public Information and Fundraising

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## Sheltering matters

- Local vs. Regional shelters
  - Based on capacity and scope
- Material Resources
  - Cots and Blankets: 20,000+ in CT (50,000 evac)
  - Meals and Water (Stockpiling)
  - Mobile Feeding vehicles (CT owned vs. NHQ)
  - Facilities (Short term vs Long term)



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## Connecticut Emergency Services Vision

- High quality consistent service delivery
- Preparedness efficiencies
- Leadership in Mass Care / ESF-6
- Enhance partnerships – Community Response
- Fully manage any level III operation
- Respond and sustain any disaster for 5 days
- State able to train itself
- Satisfied paid and volunteer workforce



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## Sheltering matters

- Special Needs Sheltering / Supportive Care
  - Who's in charge? Who can handle it?
  - Who can go to Red Cross Shelters
    - Those who can care for themselves with minimal assistance
      - Chronic diseases under control – enough medication
      - Wheel chair dependant who can transfer to toilet
      - Visual, speech, hearing impaired
  - Nursing facilities and others which plan may call for another facility in the path of the hurricane



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## Sheltering Capabilities in CT

- 627 identified shelter facilities
  - 151 identified to open during a hurricane evacuation along the coast
    - 50 fully managed by ARC
    - Partner supported shelters
    - Community shelters
  - Several inland due to flooding
  - 300,000 evacuees : 50,000 in shelters
    - Post Impact: 25,000 In shelters
  - 500,000 meals needed in 72 hours
  - More than 1,000 disaster volunteers ready to help



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## Sheltering matters

- Pets and other animals
  - Where will they go
  - CT-SART – Current capacity / plans
  - Co-location with animal shelters
- Communications
  - Govt – ARC / shelters – Community shelters
- Pandemic – During hurricane season?



## Looking forward

- **What next?**
  - Improve ESF-6 capabilities throughout the State
  - Build Community Response
    - Help increase number of shelter teams
    - Renew shelter agreements
    - Get trained
    - Community resources
  - Regional response teams
  - Finalize plans and exercise
  - Regional Catastrophic Planning
  - Technology Enhancements



## Questions?

