



2024 National Homeland Security Association
Miami Beach Convention Center – 1901 Convention Center Dr, Miami Beach, FL 33139
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Schedule at a Glance

Monday, July 22

- 0700-1700: Registration open
- 1200-1300: Lunch on your own
- Various times:
 - Conference Workshops & Sessions (requires registration)
 - General Local Tours (requires registration)

Tuesday, July 23

- 0800-1700: Registration open
- 0900-1045: Opening Ceremonies and Remarks
- 1100-1200: Session 1
- 1200-1900: Exhibition Hall open
- 1215-1315: Lunch provided in Exhibit Hall.
- 1330-1430: Session 2
- 1445-1545: Session 3
- 1600-1700: Session 4
- 1700-1900: Exhibitor Social

Wednesday, July 24

- 0800-1600: Registration open
- 0900-1030: General Session
- 1000-1500: Exhibition Hall open
- 1045-1145: Session 5
- 1200-1300: Lunch provided.
- 1315-1415: Session 6
- 1430-1530: Session 7
- 1530-1715: Break
- 1700: Buses arrive at the Miami Beach Convention Center, 1901 Convention Center Drive
- 1715-1730: Conference attendees board busses
- 1730-1815: Busses depart and transport attendees to Port of Miami Terminal J, located at 1120 Caribbean Way, Terminal J, for UASI demonstration.
- 1815-1915: Miami-Ft. Lauderdale UASI Demonstration (Demonstration will last approximately 30 minutes; additional time allotted for loading and unloading of busses)
- 1915-1930: Buses depart from Port of Miami and transport conference attendees to Host Social at the , located at 1101 Biscayne Boulevard
- 1930-2215: Bus loop from Frost Museum to Miami Beach Convention Center and back. Last pickup from Frost Museum will be 22:30



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Thursday, July 25

- 0830-1100: Registration open
- 0900-1045: General Session
- 1045-1100: Closing Ceremony
- 1000-1200: Exhibition Hall open
- 1115-1215: "Best of Show"
- Lunch on your own (not provided)
- 1300-1600: In-depth Discussion on a Recent Critical Event



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Welcome Letter from NHSA President Natalie



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MONDAY, JULY 22, 2024		
0700 – 1700	Registration Open	
0800 – 0900	New PANEL DISCUSSION – “Cybersecurity Grant Program Key Changes for FY 2024 SLCGP, Promising Practices, and Listening Session”, with CISA and FEMA ; Details on page 16	10
0800 – 0900	2	8
0800 – 0900	3	11
0800 – 0900	4	12
0800 – 1500 <i>with a lunch break 1200 - 1300</i>	WORKSHOP - Senior Officials Workshop for All-Hazards Preparedness (MGT-312) – Texas A&M Engineering (TEEX); instructed by Barry Graham and Don Ogden. <i>Confirmed</i> Details on page 16	1
0800 – 1200	SEMINAR – Disaster Recovery: A Strategic Overview of the Public Assistance Process (MGT-481) – Texas A&M Engineering (TEEX) <i>Confirmed</i> Details on page 18	2
0800 – 1300	TRAINING & TESTING – AEM/CEM Certification Preparatory Course (Registration for this class is with IAEM directly at: https://www.iaem.org/cvweb/cgi-bin/eventsdll.dll/EventInfo?sessionaltcd=072224PREP not NHSA Details on page 19	3
0800 – 1700 <i>with a lunch break 1200 - 1300</i>	TRAINING – Primary Screener/Personal Radiation Detector (PER-243) <i>tentative</i> Details on page 19 (<i>may need to improvise the breakouts on a space available basis</i>)	4 + BREAKOUT ROOMS A, B, C, & D
0800 – 1700 <i>with a lunch break 1200 - 1300</i>	TRAINING – Unmanned Aircraft System Programs Development, Mobile Course - New Mexico Tech, <i>confirmed</i> Details on page 20	5
0830 - 1000	TRAINING — Response to Bombing Incidents - New Mexico Tech, <i>confirmed</i> Details on page 20	6
0900 – 1300	BUSINESS MEETING – UASI POC Annual Meeting (UASI POCs only) Details on page 20	7
0915 – 1015	New PANEL DISCUSSION – “Partnering for Success with SLCGP/TCGP Program Monitoring: CISA, FEMA, State Administrative Agencies and Chief Security Officers Collaborate to Measure Program Progress and Grants Management Compliance, Identify Technical Assistance Needs and Share Lessons Learned”, with CISA, FEMA, SLCGP SAA Representative, and State CISO. Moderator: TBD; Details on page 21	10
0915 – 1015	6	11
0915 – 1045	7	8
0915 – 1045	8	12



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1200 – 1300	Lunch on your own	
1015 – 1145	CASE STUDY – 2018 National Mall Suicide Bombing Plot - New Mexico Tech, <i>confirmed</i> . <i>Recommended to attend training – “Response to Bombing Incidents” from 0830 – 1000 in preparation for this case study</i> - Details on page 21	6
1030 – 1200	9	10
1030 – 1200	10	11
1100 – 1200	PANEL DISCUSSION – Airspace Security – Special Government Interest (SGIs) airspace waivers and Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFRs) , with Kerry Fleming; <i>confirmed</i> – Moderator: TBD; Details on page 21	8
1100 – 1200	11	12
1300 – 1400	CLOSED MEETING – FIFA World Cup 2026 Host Cities ; Details on page 22	11
1300 – 1430	13	10
1300 – 1430	14	12
1300 – 1430	TRAINING — Drone Assessment and Response Tactics, DART - New Mexico Tech, <i>confirmed</i> Details on page 22	6
1300 – 1600	WORKSHOP – 2024 THIRA/SPR Methodology Update – Hosted by Matthew Brainovich, Acting Division Director, Risk and Capability Assessments Division RMD Resilience <i>confirmed</i> . Details on page 22	8
1300 – 1700	SEMINAR – Disaster Recovery: A Strategic Overview of the Public Assistance Process (MGT-481) – Texas A&M Engineering (TEEX), <i>confirmed</i> Details on page 18	2
1315 – 1445	PANEL DISCUSSION – Best Practices for Protecting Critical Infrastructure using an Enterprise Risk Management Platform , with Jason Knowles, Tommy Capobianco, Jonathan Stephens, Matthew Simons, Douglas Pasley, and Paul Stebbins. <i>confirmed</i> Details on page 23	7
1315 – 1445	PANEL PRESENTATION – Real-World Application of Continuous Improvement Through Incident After-Action Reviews – with Lee Zelewicz, Continuous Improvement Technical Assistance Program Manager - Continuous Improvement Program Office of Resilience Strategy Resilience FEMA DHS, <i>confirmed</i> Details on page 24	9
1400 – 1630	TESTING – IAEM AEM/CEM Exam	3
1415 – 1545	15	11
1445 – 1545	CONTINUING DISCUSSION - Two Years on from Buffalo: Targeted Violence and Domestic Terrorism Prevention in New York State – Lessons Learned and Next Steps , with Paula Granger and Frazer Lonie. This is a follow-up discussion that began last year on the Preventing Violent Extremism track; see details on page 24	10
1445 – 1700	17	12



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1445 – 1615	CASE STUDY – UAS Delivery of Contraband to Prison - New Mexico Tech <i>Recommended to attend training – “Drone Assessment and Response Tactics, DART” from 1300 – 1430 in preparation for this case study - Details on page 25</i>	6
1500 – 1700	BENCHMARKING – Preparedness Grants Meet Up for State Administrative Agencies Representatives , hosted by Robert Evans, Illinois Emergency Management Agency. <i>confirmed</i> Details on page 25	7
1515 – 1645	PANEL DISCUSSION – Large Scale Event Planning – National and Local Perspective , with John Antapasis – <i>confirmed</i> Moderator: TBD; Details on page 26	1
1600 – 1700	18	10
1600 – 1700	19	11

The 2024 National Homeland Security Conference will be offering an opportunity to catch the “Best of Show”. Presentations will be ranked as “Best of Show” by you and your peers, using the NHSC app during the conference. You will have the opportunity to rate the presentations you attend. The top five, regardless of track, will be invited to return for an encore presentation on Thursday, July 25th, from 11:00 to 12:00. Final presentation selection is also subject to the presenter’s availability. Those presentations not available to present in “Best of Show” are shown in *italics*.
Note: Monday’s sessions will not be part of “Best of Show” since they tend to be of a longer duration than the sessions on Tuesday and Wednesday.



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TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2024		
0800 – 1700	Registration Open	
0900 – 1045	Opening Ceremonies: Color Guard Invocation: Rabbi Rosenberg and Father Marino Opening Remarks – NHSA President Natalie Gutierrez Welcome Addresses – Mayors Distinguished Guests Details on page	
1045 – 1100	Break	
1100 – 1200	Session 1: <i>Note – “Italics” indicates they are not a “Best of Show” candidate.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Best Practices and Lessons Learned (29) – “Access and Functional Needs Chronic Influencers: Disruptions to CMIST Resources”, with Sadie Martinez; Moderator: Misty Richardson• Combating Domestic Violent Extremism – Moderator: Larry Kraus• Community Preparedness and Resilience (151) – “Strengthening Community Resilience through Modernized Data Driven Planning”, with Benjamin Korson, Travis Houston, and Shelby Rushing; Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn• Counterterrorism – Moderator: Jason Stewart• Cybersecurity – Moderator: Dawn Thomas• New! Emerging Technologies (21) – “The Next Generation of Emergency Management and Homeland Security: The AI Revolution”, with Robert Gerlach; Moderator: Susanna Taddei• Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing – “Elevating Crisis Communication: Strategies for Enhancing Community Preparedness and Resilience” with Laura Norman; Moderator: Siobhan Carroll• Grants and Program Management (145) – “Making the THIRA/SPR Work for You! Innovations in Stakeholder Engagement and Data Operationalization”, with Michelle Gillies, Darvan Cosby, Eric Smith, and Deborah Hunt; Moderators: Dawn Heartsong and Mark Silveira• Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health (16) – “Improving Resilience in the 21st Century High-risk/High-consequence Workplace”, with Dan Schilling, Lt. Col. USAF (ret.), <i>and...</i>; Moderator: Irene Navis	



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Planning (46) – “Empowering Election Planning: Data-Driven Strategies and Process Enhancements at a County Level”, with Ben Webster, Natasha Streets, and Joe Coates; Moderator: Blake Fisher• Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities (168) – “Advancing Coordination within the Maritime Domain: Challenges, Best Practices, and the MEEI”, with Marisa Brusuelas, Bill Meyers, Sig Phinney, and Rob Hall; Moderator: Jorge Torres• Public Health – Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru• Training and Exercise – Moderator: John Antapasis• Sponsored Solution Track Company: 908 Degrees (Exhibitor) Presentation Speaker: Session Title: Session Description:	
1200 – 1215	Break	
1200 – 1900	Exhibitor Hall Open	Exhibit Hall
1215 – 1315	Lunch (Provided)	Exhibit Hall
1315 – 1330	Break	
1330 – 1430	<p><u>Session 2:</u> <i>Note – “Italics” indicates they are not a “Best of Show” candidate.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Best Practices and Lessons Learned (237) – “Integration of Victim Service Professionals into Emergency Management and Response”, with Tennille Pereira, Lorea Arostegui, and Misty Richardson; Moderator: Misty Richardson• Combating Domestic Violent Extremism – Moderator: Larry Kraus• Community Preparedness and Resilience (129) – “Moving Beyond the Buzzword of ‘Whole Community Inclusion’: A Systematic Approach to Creating a Meaningful Access and Functional Needs Program to Build”, with Rosemary McDonnell and Sadie Martinez; Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn• Counterterrorism – Moderator: Jason Stewart• Cybersecurity – Moderator: Dawn Thomas• New! Emerging Technologies (76) – “Partnering for Preparedness with National Laboratories”, with Ryan Eddy, Ann Lesperance, Heather Kelly, and Sharon Wallace; Moderator: Susanna Taddei• Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing (45) – “Establishing a Situational Awareness Center”, with Desiree A. Sullivan; Moderator: Siobhan Carroll	



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grants and Program Management (107) – “Gun Violence and Civil Unrest: How SBA’s Disaster Loans help communities’ recovery from human caused disasters”, with Francisco Sánchez Jr; Moderators: Dawn Heartsong and Mark Silveira• Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health (65) – “A Cop’s Personal Story of Mental Health Issues and Wellness”, with Sgt. Mark DiBona (Ret); Moderator: Irene Navis• Planning (119) – “20 Years of NIMS”, with John Ford; Moderator: Blake Fisher• Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities – Moderator: Jorge Torres• Public Health – Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru• Training and Exercise – Moderator: John Antapasis• Sponsored Solution Track Company: Presentation Speaker: Session Title: Session Description:	
1430 – 1445	Break	
1445 – 1545	<p><u>Session 3: Note – “Italics” indicates they are not a “Best of Show” candidate.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Best Practices and Lessons Learned – Moderator: Misty Richardson• Combating Domestic Violent Extremism – Moderator: Larry Kraus• Community Preparedness and Resilience (180) – “The Future is Now: How Artificial Intelligence Can Support Emergency Management Today”, with Jon Barr, Dan Cotter, Mark Sloan, and Chris Lombard; Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn• Counterterrorism – Moderator: Jason Stewart• Cybersecurity (126) – “State-wide Critical Infrastructure Cyber Risk Assessment – The Florida Experience”, with O.T. Gagnon III (Ollie), Ernest Ferraresso, Emilio F. Salabarria, and Timothy Klett; Moderators: Dawn Thomas and Adam Monsolve• Emerging Technologies (189) – “Election Security “, with Emily Frye and Darryl Grady; Moderator: Susanna Taddei• Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing (263) – “Bureaucratic Decision Making and Intelligence Failures in the Context of January 6th”, with Taylor Mackin; Moderator: Siobhan Carroll• Grants and Program Management (56) – “FEMA: Procurement Under Grants 101”, with Chris Simone; Moderators: Dawn Heartsong and Mark Silveira• Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health – Moderator: Irene Navis• Planning (108) – “Hazard Mitigation in 70 Languages: An Innovative Approach to Community Engagement!”, with Sara van der Capellen and Trish Beirne; Moderator: Blake Fisher• Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities – Moderator: Jorge Torres• Public Health – Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru	



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Training and Exercise – Moderator: John Antapasis• Sponsored Solution Track Company: Presentation Speakers: Session Title: Session Description:	
1545 – 1600	Break	
1600 – 1700	<p>Session 4: <i>Note – “Italics” indicates they are not a “Best of Show” candidate.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Best Practices and Lessons Learned – Moderator: Misty Richardson• Combating Domestic Violent Extremism – Moderator: Larry Kraus• Community Preparedness and Resilience (250) – “Disasters Don’t Discriminate: A Blueprint for Addressing Social Vulnerabilities in Disaster Planning”, with Molly Bargmann, Andrew Phelps, Dr. Jesse P. Spearo, and Jonathan Romine; Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn• Counterterrorism – Moderator: Jason Stewart• Cybersecurity – Moderator: Dawn Thomas• New! Emerging Technologies – Moderator: Susanna Taddei• Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing – Moderator: Siobhan Carroll• Grants and Program Management (159/173) – “Measuring the Effectiveness of FEMA Preparedness Grants”, with Marcy Van; Moderators: Dawn Heartsong and Mark Silveira• Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health – Moderator: Irene Navis• Planning (57) – “Integrating Cybersecurity into EOPs: Lessons Learned in the Charlotte UASI”, with Adrienne George; Moderator: Blake Fisher• Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities – Moderator: Jorge Torres• Public Health – Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru• Training and Exercise – Moderator: John Antapasis• Sponsored Solution Track Company: Presentation Speakers: Session Title: Session Description:	
1700 – 1900	Exhibitor Social	EXHIBITOR HALL



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WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 2024		
0800 – 1600	Registration Open –	
0900 – 1600	MIAMI URBAN AREA GRANT-FUNDED EQUIPMENT DISPLAY	
0900 – 1030	General Session –	
0900 – 0905	Opening Announcements	
0905 - 1000	General Session Presentations TBD	
1000 - 1025	Alejandro Mayorkas, United States Secretary of Homeland Security <i>confirmed</i> , date and time subject to change.	
1025 – 1030	Closing remarks	
	<i>For details on these topics, turn to page</i>	
1000 – 1500	Exhibitor Hall Open	
1030 – 1045	Break	
1045 – 1145	<u>Session 5: Note – “Italics” indicates they are not a “Best of Show” candidate.</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Best Practices and Lessons Learned (97) – “How the Florida Recovery Obligation Calculation (F-ROC) program is revolutionizing Public Assistance in the state of Florida”, with Kevin Guthrie, Melissa Foggy, Matias Ramirez, and Barry Link; Moderator: Misty Richardson• Combating Domestic Violent Extremism – Moderator: Larry Kraus• Community Preparedness and Resilience (114) – “Enhancing Community Preparedness and Resilience through Community Lifelines”, with Halil Grieb and Dr. Jesse P. Spearo; Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn• Counterterrorism – Moderator: Jason Stewart• Cybersecurity – Moderator: Dawn Thomas• Emerging Technologies (171) – “Artificial Intelligence: Criminal Tradecraft, Investigation, and Forensic Considerations”, with George Perera; Moderator: Susanna Taddei• Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing (23) – “The Importance of In-Custody Intelligence and Information Sharing”, with Errol D. Toulon, Jr., Ed.D. and Kevin T. Catalina; Moderator: Siobhan Carroll• Grants and Program Management (242) – “Community Policing Development Microgrants: Using Community Oriented Policing to Implement Strategies to Prevent Domestic Extremism”, with Ebonyque Taylor and Camisha Amaker; Moderators: Dawn Heartsong and Mark Silveira• Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health (25) – “Crafting Your Legacy: Integrating Human Needs Psychology for Resiliency”, with Christine Saunders; Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru	



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Planning (133) – “Beyond Sheltering? Aligning People, Policy and Resources to Successfully Plan Disaster Housing”, with Blake Fisher, Christopher Meyd, Michelle “Shelly” Smith, and Jacob Hill; Moderator: Blake Fisher• Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities – Moderator: Jorge Torres• Public Health (206) – “Community Disaster Preparedness: Addressing Gaps in Pediatric Countermeasures for Radiation/Nuclear Incident Response”, with Thomas Maciulewicz and Irene L. Navis; Moderator: Irene Navis• Training and Exercise – Moderator: John Antapasis• Sponsored Solution Track Company: Sealing Technologies (Exhibitor) Presentation Speakers: Session Title: Session Description:	
1145 – 1200	Break	
1200 – 1300	Lunch (Provided) Exhibitor Hall	
1300 – 1315	Break – return to conference hall	
1315 – 1415	<p>Session 6: <i>Note – “Italics” indicates they are not a “Best of Show” candidate.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Best Practices and Lessons Learned – Moderator: Misty Richardson• Combating Domestic Violent Extremism – Moderator: Larry Kraus• Community Preparedness and Resilience – Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn• Counterterrorism – Moderator: Jason Stewart• Cybersecurity – Moderator: Dawn Thomas• New! Emerging Technologies – Moderator: Susanna Taddei• Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing (254) – “Coordinating Actionable All-Hazards Intelligence with Local, State, and Federal Agencies”, with Ashley Larrow, William Daughtry, Zach Williams, and Kevin Johnson; Moderator: Siobhan Carroll• Grants and Program Management – Moderators: Dawn Heartsong and Mark Silveira• Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health – Moderator: Irene Navis• Planning (188) – “Partners in Planning: Engaging Faith-Based Organizations in Emergency Management”, with Marcus T. Coleman Jr., Kathryn Replogle, and Daniel Berkman; Moderator: Blake Fisher• Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities – Moderator: Jorge Torres• Public Health – Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru• Training and Exercise – Moderator: John Antapasis• Sponsored Solution Track Company: Presentation Speakers: Session Title:	



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	Session Description:	
1415 – 1430	Break	
1430 – 1530	Session 7: <i>Note – These presentations are not eligible for “Best of Show”.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Best Practices and Lessons Learned – Moderator: Misty Richardson • Combating Domestic Violent Extremism – Moderator: Larry Kraus • Community Preparedness and Resilience – Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn • Counterterrorism – Moderator: Jason Stewart • Cybersecurity – Moderator: Dawn Thomas • New! Emerging Technologies – Moderator: Susanna Taddei • Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing – Moderator: Siobhan Carroll • Grants and Program Management – “DHS Town Hall Meeting”, with Stacey Street and Kerry Thomas; Moderators: Dawn Heartsong and Mark Silveira • Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health – Moderator: Irene Navis • Planning (176) – “Comparing and contrasting EOPs and BCPs in a complex incident environment and enterprise”, with Kristin Cormier Robinson, Sean Waters, Johanna Bellida, and Gregory Ferris; Moderator: Blake Fisher • Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities – Moderator: Jorge Torres • Public Health – Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru • Training and Exercise – Moderator: John Antapasis • Sponsored Solution Track Company: Presentation Speaker: Session Title: Session Description: 	
1530 – 1715	Break	
1715 - 1730	Stage at designated location(s) TBD for buses to Miami	
1730 – 1830	Transport to Miami	
1830 – 1915	MIAMI URBAN AREA DEMONSTRATION	
1915 – 1930	Transport to Host Social	
1930 - 2100	Host Social – Frost Museum – dress Miami casual <i>details on page</i>	
Time	Event	Room
THURSDAY, JULY 25, 2024		
0830 – 1100	Registration Open –	
0900 – 0945	General Session – Keynote 2: <i>For details on these topics, turn to page_</i>	
0945 – 1015	Keynote 1	



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1015 – 1045	Introduction to In-Depth Discussion	
1045 – 1100	Closing Ceremony – Thank you Miami & Miami Beach – see you in ? in 2025!	
1000 – 1200	Exhibit Hall Open	
1100 – 1115	Break	
1115 – 1215	<p>Session 8: – Highlighting the “Best of Show” presentations (the five presentations that scored the highest) <i>plus</i> up to eight additional new presentations.</p> <p><i>Best of Show presentations will be announced at the Host Social at the Frost Museum</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Best of Show presentation #1 TBD, Moderator: TBD• Best of Show presentation #2 TBD, Moderator: TBD• Best of Show presentation #3 TBD, Moderator: TBD• Best of Show presentation #4 TBD, Moderator: TBD• Best of Show presentation #5 TBD, Moderator: TBD• New Presentation 1• New Presentation 2• New Presentation 3• New Presentation 4• New Presentation 5• New Presentation 6• New Presentation 7• New Presentation 8	
1230 – 1330	Lunch on your own (<i>not provided</i>)	
1400 – 1700	In-depth discussion on a recent event (TBD)	



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PANEL DISCUSSION – CYBERSECURITY GRANT PROGRAM KEY CHANGES FOR FY 2024 SLCGP, PROMISING PRACTICES, AND LISTENING SESSION

Presenter:

CISA and FEMA representatives

Summary:

CISA and FEMA representatives present updates for the FY 2024 SLCGP, including, new focus areas for FY 2024, requirements for grant applicants/recipients, national priorities, etc. Also, examples of novel approaches in cybersecurity project implementation and promising practices in grants management will be presented by CISA and FEMA.

- Key Changes for FY 2024 SLCGP (CISA)
 - Cybersecurity Plan Updates
 - Anything else that is new or updated in the FY 2024 SLCGP NOFO (e.g., performance metrics, focus areas, etc.)
- Novel approaches in cybersecurity project implementation (CISA)
- Promising practices in grants administration (FEMA)
 - Promising Practice: Streamlining local consent (MN)
 - Promising Practice: Statewide approach to cybersecurity shared services (OK)
- Q&A

WORKSHOP - SENIOR OFFICIALS WORKSHOP FOR ALL-HAZARDS PREPAREDNESS (MGT-312)

This workshop provides a forum for senior officials to understand strategic and executive- level issues related to all-hazards disaster preparedness, to share proven strategies and best practices, and to enhance coordination among whole community officials responsible for emergency preparedness, response, and recovery. The workshop emphasizes planning, operational coordination and public information and warning through extensive group discussions and a table-top exercise. The final outcome of the seminar is the development of an action plan to improve the preparedness posture of the community/organization.

Training Level:

- Management and Planning

Venue:

- This workshop is typically delivered at a time and place determined by the requesting jurisdiction. Each workshop, including site and curriculum delivery costs, is fully funded through DHS/FEMA's Homeland Security National Training Program.

Course Length:

- 8 hours

Workshop Topics:

- Roles and responsibilities and preparedness challenges
- Domestic preparedness resources and how to leverage them for your community.



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- Homeland Security Strategic Planning as it relates to risk and needs assessment and the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) for your jurisdiction.
- Executive-level incident response and recovery considerations, including medical/public health, situational appraisal, incident management (ICS), mutual aid agreements, media relations, recovery and restoration processes, Federal assistance, and business/economic recovery.
- Includes a practical exercise tailored for the jurisdiction(s) as the catalyst to generate discussion of policy and emergency operations center activities required to support the incident commander's and state/federal government requirements related to an all-hazard, catastrophic incident.

Continuing Education Credits:

- IACET - 0.6 CEUs

For more information contact: TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE www.teex.org/esti_execprograms@teex.tamu.edu

Course Materials:

Participants receive an executive handbook on all-hazards preparedness. This reference book contains chapters on:

- The importance of all-hazards preparedness and the "right" questions to ask during an emergency situation.
- The National Response Framework
- Local Government Partner Guides
- ESF and Support Annexes
- Working with the media Overviews of:
- The Stafford Act Support to States
- DOD Support to Domestic Incidents; and
- Federal Support in Non-Stafford Act events

Participants:

This workshop is intended for elected and appointed senior officials from a local jurisdiction, but may also include executives from other community entities, both public and private, that are likely to be involved in a disaster response, including:

- Directors of local response agencies
- Chiefs of departments: fire, law, EMS, HazMat, public works, water, public health, health care, emergency management, Governmental administrative disciplines/services
- Public Information Officers
- Resident federal agency representatives (FBI, BATF, Secret Service, FEMA, TSA)
- CEOs of hospitals
- College and university representatives
- School district superintendents
- Airport and port facility managers
- DoD installation commanders and representatives
- Stadium and sports facility managers and directors



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Class Size:

- Approximately 30 participants

SEMINAR - DISASTER RECOVERY: A STRATEGIC OVERVIEW OF THE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROCESS (MGT-481)

The Disaster Recovery for Senior Officials course provides a strategic overview of the FEMA Public Assistance Process that is essential to disaster recovery for local communities. The FEMA Public Assistance Process provides funding for local governments and eligible Private Non-Profit organizations to conduct effective long-term recovery. Unfortunately, many jurisdictions do not have a good understanding of this process and thereby fail to obtain, and retain, all the recovery revenue the community is eligible for. This course will provide senior leaders and staff planners with the key elements, milestones, and pitfalls to avoid when guiding a local jurisdictions recovery plans and operations. MGT481 - 4.00 HOURS

Prerequisites:

- There are no prerequisites for this course.

Recommended:

- Disaster recovery awareness | AWR408 -Online Course (1 hour)

Topics:

- Overview of the FEMA public assistance program
- Pre-disaster recovery planning
- Key milestones and pitfalls in recovery operations
- Best practices for local jurisdictions and partners

Participants

- Local government senior officials and staff
- Emergency managers
- Local government finance managers
- Public works and utility managers
- Public power managers
- Healthcare non-profit managers
- School district administrators
- Public information officers
- Senior officials, leaders, and local staff
- Private non-profits

Continuing Education and Professional Credits 0.4 CEUs



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TRAINING & TESTING - AEM/CEM CERTIFICATION PREPATORY COURSE

The International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM) will be offering the AEM/CEM preparatory exam course from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM and the AEM/CEM Exam from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. The cost of the preparatory course and exam fee are NOT included with your registration fee. Registrants who indicate they would like to attend the prep course and/or take the exam will also need to register directly with IAEM at : <https://www.iaem.org/certification/getting-started/prep-course-exam-dates>; to finalize their registration. Registration deadline is TBD. Onsite registration is not available.

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TRAINING - PRIMARY SCREENER/PERSONAL RADIATION DETECTOR (PER-243)

PER-243 provides the primary screener with training to perform a preliminary radiological assessment with a personal radiation detector (PRD). training also includes operating a PRD to detect radiation, locate a source, measure radiation levels, assess the threat status of a situation, categorize threats, and adjudicate alarms.

Prerequisites:

- Yes...

Course Length:



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- 8 hours

Course Materials:

- Will be provided.

Class Size:

- 30 participants

Targeted Audience:

- Law Enforcement Officers
- Firefighters
- EOD Units
- HM Teams
- First Responders

TRAINING - UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS PROGRAMS DEVELOPMENT, MOBILE COURSE (8 HOUR COURSE)

The Unmanned Aircraft Systems Program Development (UASPD), Mobile course (8 hours) is designed to equip emergency personnel with the essential knowledge needed to effectively integrate Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) into their operations. This program combines real world examples with theoretical understanding, covering topics such as UAS technology, flight operations, data analysis, and regulatory compliance specific to the needs of the first responders. Participants will be presented with considerations for deploying UAS for various emergency scenarios, including law enforcement, search and rescue, disaster response, and situational awareness. With an introduction to safety and practical applications, this course empowers first responders to design a program for their agency harnessing the capabilities of UAS for enhanced response and integration of these capabilities within their jurisdiction to sustain their program over the long term.

TRAINING – RESPONSE TO BOMBING INCIDENTS, RBI (1.5 HOUR COURSE)

The course provides information to emergency personnel from all disciplines who respond to the growing number of bombing incidents across the United States. Topics covered include bombing response challenges, the damaging effects of Improvised Explosive Devices, bombing threat response considerations, and response priorities following the immediate aftermath of a bombing.

BUSINESS MEETING - UASI POC ANNUAL MEETING

Annual business meeting for the official Points of Contact (POC's) only



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PANEL DISCUSSION – PARTNERING FOR SUCCESS WITH SLCGP/TCGP PROGRAM MONITORING: CISA, FEMA, STATE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCIES AND CHIEF SECURITY OFFICERS COLLABORATE TO MEASURE PROGRAM PROGRESS AND GRANTS MANAGEMENT COMPLIANCE, IDENTIFY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE NEEDS AND SHARE LESSONS LEARNED

Presenter:

CISA and FEMA representatives, as well as an SLCGP State Administrative Agency (SAA) representative and State Chief Security Officer (CISO)

Summary:

Panel Participants will discuss their experiences with desk and/or site monitoring of the SLCGP/TCGP grant programs and share promising practices and lessons learned, and key changes for FY 2024 SLCGP (CISA) (35-minutes)

Presentation Topics include the following items:

- Purpose and objectives of program monitoring
- What to expect from a desk review or site monitoring visit
- Well-coordinated SAA/CIO shop (institutionalized relationship, formalized governance) keeping committee engaged (e.g., recommending Illinois SAA Bob Evans and CISO Jennifer Rominger)
- Technical assistance resources for SLCGP/TCGP (including FACT Sheets, FAQs, SAA Working Group and other stakeholder engagement opportunities, etc.)
- Post Monitoring: Issues/challenges identified during monitoring and corrective action plans to adjudicate these.
- 25-Minute Question and Answer period

CASE STUDY: 2018 NATIONAL MALL SUICIDE BOMBING PLOT (1.5 HOUR PRESENTATION)

On October 9, 2018, Paul Rosenfeld was arrested after a suicide bombing plot was uncovered by law enforcement. Mr. Rosenfeld had constructed an improvised explosive device and was planning to detonate the device on the National Mall in Washington D.C. on Election Day. Over the course of two days, numerous law enforcement agencies worked in collaboration to apprehend Mr. Rosenfeld and render safe the device he had constructed. This case study describes the events which took place on this date and follows the investigation through to its conclusion with a special emphasis on the Improvised Explosive Device (IED) utilized.

PANEL DISCUSSION – AIRSPACE SECURITY – SPECIAL GOVERNMENT INTEREST (SGIs) AIRSPACE WAIVERS AND TEMPORARY FLIGHT RESTRICTIONS (TFRs)

Presenter:

Kerry Fleming, Branch Manager of the System Operations Support Center co-located in Washington, DC and Warrenton, VA.

Summary:

The System Operations Support Center is the group within the FAA that provides Air Traffic Security services and airspace access to all disaster relief and lifesaving operations. They work closely with our first responder partners to provide a safe, efficient, and timely response to emergency operations through the issuance of Special Governmental Interest (SGI)



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airspace waivers. The System Operations Support Center also is the sole issuing authority for Law Enforcement and National Security related Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFR). This presentation will educate attendees on all the challenges of conducting flight operations during significant events. The System Operations Support Center has provided expert presentations to AUVSI, Drone Responders, the National Hurricane Conference, UAS Commercial Expo, National Counsel of Sheriffs, Texas DPS, and Federal Law Enforcement Agencies.

Learning Objectives:

- Understanding how to request a Special Government Interest(SGI) airspace waiver.
- Understanding what type of Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) is most suitable.
- Understanding Certificates of Authorizations and Part 107 flight operation requirements

Targeted Audience:

- Law Enforcement Officers
- Firefighters
- EOD Units
- HM Teams
- First Responders

FIFA WORLD CUP 2026 HOST CITIES WORKSHOP

This is a closed, by invitation only meeting for the cities hosting the FIFA games in 2026. At this meeting, cities will discuss their planning efforts and how to coordinate efforts across sites.

TRAINING - DRONE ASSESSMENT AND RESPONSE TACTICS, DART (1.5 HOUR COURSE)

The DART, Mobile course provides emergency personnel with the knowledge and skills necessary to detect, identify, track, assess, respond, and report Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) activity. Participants are presented with information on the current UAS criminal and terrorist threat, analog and electronic UAS detection techniques, and response tactics to address this threat.

WORKSHOP - 2024 THIRA/SPR METHODOLOGY UPDATE WORKSHOP

FEMA's Community Risk and Capability Assessment Branch will provide a presentation on community THIRA/SPR Methodology and present on community feedback received thus far in calendar year 2024. This presentation will:

- Outline the current THIRA/SPR methodology.
- Highlight opportunities for community data improvement.
- Share summary feedback collected in calendar year 2023 and 2024.
- Provide an opportunity for participants to work through the new THIRA/SPR Methodology with example targets.



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PANEL DISCUSSION - BEST PRACTICES FOR PROTECTING CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE USING AN ENTERPRISE RISK MANAGEMENT PLATFORM

Summary:

This panel presentation delves into the intricate landscape of critical infrastructure security, focusing on strategies and case studies from the states of Florida and Arizona. As homeland security grants diminish, Florida faces resource constraints that challenge the comprehensive assessment of critical infrastructure vulnerabilities. The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) has navigated these challenges amidst the absence of a centralized repository within the Regional Domestic Security Task Force (RDSTF), which complicates reporting across critical infrastructure categories.

In contrast, Arizona's deployment strategies offer valuable insights into effective security measures, particularly in the face of evolving threats. Through case studies and best practices, the panel explores how Florida and Arizona have approached cataloging, assessing, and responding to incidents in critical infrastructure. Key topics include the impact of enterprise risk management systems, collaborative resource utilization, and the effectiveness of risk-based strategies in real-world security management.

Join us as we dissect these strategies, share lessons learned, and discuss the path forward in enhancing critical infrastructure security resilience.

Learning Objectives:

- Understanding Comprehensive Security Assessment Protocols:
 - Participants will gain insight into the challenges faced by Florida in conducting thorough critical infrastructure vulnerability assessments due to resource constraints and lack of centralized data repositories. They will learn about the components necessary for a comprehensive security assessment and the impact of streamlined reporting systems on enhancing domestic security measures.
- Exploring Effective Implementation Strategies for Enterprise Risk Management Systems:
 - Attendees will explore the effectiveness of enterprise risk management systems, as evidenced by successful implementations within The Florida Department of Education, Tampa Bay UASI and Tallahassee Region 2. By examining the pilot program conducted by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) in Tallahassee, participants will understand the benefits and challenges associated with leveraging shared resources and how such systems can improve information accessibility for end-users.
- Analyzing Best Practices and Case Studies in Security Management for cross sector awareness:
 - The panel discussion will provide a platform for participants to analyze and dissect various case studies and best practices related to cataloging, assessing vulnerabilities, and responding to security incidents within the 16 DHS Sectors. Through these examples, attendees will comprehend the practical implications of risk-oriented approaches in devising robust security management strategies applicable in real-world scenarios.



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PANEL PRESENTATION - REAL-WORLD APPLICATION OF CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT THROUGH INCIDENT AFTER-ACTION REVIEWS

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CONTINUED DISCUSSION - TWO YEARS ON FROM BUFFALO: TARGETED VIOLENCE AND DOMESTIC TERRORISM PREVENTION IN NEW YORK STATE – LESSONS LEARNED AND NEXT STEPS

Presenters:

Paula Granger, Assistant Director, Office of Counter Terrorism Director, Domestic Terrorism Prevention Unit
Frazer Lonie, Manager, Program Support, New York State Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services

Summary:

The heinous mass shooting at a grocery store in Buffalo, New York – which left ten New Yorkers dead and another three wounded – by a white supremacist was a wake-up call that the State must be prepared to confront the threat of domestic terrorism. Following the shooting, Gov. Hochul's executive order required counties to develop domestic terrorism prevention plans and created a first-in-the nation domestic terrorism prevention unit. This presentation will provide an update on New York State's targeted violence prevention program first discussed at the 2023 NHSC. This will include lessons



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learned from implementing the first Targeted Violence Prevention Strategy, supporting the creation of over 35 multi-disciplinary Threat Assessment & Management (TAM) teams at the local level, and utilizing a formal training program. The presentation will also highlight best practices and success stories from these teams and detail funding opportunities created for localities. Looking into the future, this presentation will address efforts to build a whole of society Prevention Network combining both online and offline forms of violence prevention. The overarching goal of this presentation is to share New York State's experiences with a broad audience to enable them to develop targeted violence prevention programs and TAM teams tailored to their own jurisdictions.

Learning Objectives:

- Provide an update to the steps that New York State has taken to build the targeted violence and terrorism prevention infrastructure since the May 2022 Buffalo mass shooting.
- Provide an overview of the Governor's recent announcement to expand effort to New York State's higher education environment and planned next steps.
- Highlight lessons learned from NYS' targeted violent prevention efforts, successes, and challenges so far.

Intended Audience:

- All Conference Attendees

CASE STUDY: UAS DELIVERY OF CONTRABAND TO PRISON (1.5 HOUR PRESENTATION)

This case study examines a joint investigation conducted in 2019, which targeted a scheme to smuggle contraband to an inmate at Telfair State Prison. The study explores how investigators from the Georgia Department of Corrections worked in collaboration with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the Department of Transportation Office of Inspector General to effectively prosecute the defendants involved in this federal conspiracy. Using this incident as an example, the study discusses the increasing use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) for criminal activities, examines current legal considerations, and highlights successful strategies to combat this trend.

BENCHMARKING: PREPAREDNESS GRANTS MEET UP FOR STATE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCIES REPRESENTATIVES

The presentation will actually be a discussion among representatives of the FEMA Preparedness Grants State Administrative Agencies (SAA's). FEMA hosts a town hall each year at the NHSC to discuss topics and provide information from the federal government perspective related to the FEMA Preparedness Grant Programs. The meeting request that is being submitted today would be for representatives from SAA's to have a discussion among their fellow SAA colleagues in order to meet, discuss best practices, and form a working group that will facilitate further colleague discussion, and assist new colleagues. The basic format is to identify an experienced colleague for each of the FEMA Preparedness Grant Programs as a subject matter expert, which could facilitate discussion, or answer questions for their program of expertise. The request for this session should take place hopefully prior to the FEMA Town Hall so that SAA's can assist other colleagues with items related to state administration that don't involve matters related to FEMA. Hopefully this session will allow the FEMA town hall to be more focused on those strictly federal government to SAA related matters.



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PANEL DISCUSSION – LARGE SCALE EVENT PLANNING – NATIONAL AND LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

Presenter:

John Antapasis, Emergency Coordinator, Fire Rescue, City of Tampa, FL; and TBD

Summary:

In 2023, the City of Tampa, along with mutual-aid agencies and community stakeholders, conducted a series of exercises to prepare for mass casualty incidents (MCI) during large-scale special events. This included a progressive approach to include a Table-Top Exercise, Functional Exercise, and culminated with a Full-Scale Exercise before the Winter Special Event Season to measure the response to the scenarios from law enforcement, fire rescue, emergency management, and the hospital system.

This workshop will describe the exercise series process and development, highlight the actions taken during the exercises, and provide an overview of the observed strengths and areas for improvement that were identified in the After-Action Reports to better prepare responding agencies to MCIs during Large-Scale Special Events.

Learning Objectives:

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Intended Audience:



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PRESENTATIONS IN WAITING –

Note: These are the presentation candidates, not all of these presentations will make the final selection

- ~~**Best Practices and Lessons Learned** (10) – “From Curveballs to Contingencies: Navigating the 2023 Texas Rangers Victory Parade—Lessons in Rapid Response and Celebratory Safety”, with Neal Landfield; Moderator: Misty Richardson~~
~~Lt. Landfield withdrew 5/1/2024~~
- **Best Practices and Lessons Learned** (20) – “Duncanville Fieldhouse Active Shooter, Child Reunification, and Family Assistance Center”, with Lauren Sanchez and Matt Stogner; Moderator: Misty Richardson
- **Best Practices and Lessons Learned** (194) – “UASI Best Practices to Combat Domestic Violent Extremism (DVE) and Secure Public Gatherings (SPG)”, with Stephen Tolbert, Kerry Thomas, and TBD; Moderator: Misty Richardson
- **Best Practices and Lessons Learned** (200) – “Are You Prepared for a Federally Declared Disasters?”, with Tracy Doyle, TBD, Lisa Davidson, and TBD; Moderator: Misty Richardson
- **Best Practices and Lessons Learned** (230) – “Enhancing Preparedness and Resilience: Lessons Learned from the January 6th Attack on the U.S. Capitol”; Moderator: Misty Richardson
- **Best Practices and Lessons Learned** (251) – “The Impacts of Mis, Dis, and Mal information during crisis response”, with Frank Pace, COL (ret) James Barros, and Kevin Baggs; Moderator: Misty Richardson
- **Combating Domestic Violent Extremism** (11) – “NJSARS Firearms Cross Check Initiative”, with Maureen Lancaster and Daniel Geddes; Moderator: Larry Kraus
- **Combating Domestic Violent Extremism** (39) – “Noah Calderon-Domestic Violent Extremist”, with Michael Lugo and Casey Brashear; Moderator: Larry Kraus
- **Combating Domestic Violent Extremism** (64) – “Lessons Learned - 2022 NYC Subway Active Shooter”, with Tsz (Patrick) Kwan, Michael Kemper, and Vladimir Boguslavskiy; Moderator: Larry Kraus
- **Combating Domestic Violent Extremism** (125) – “Fire Department Engagement with Intel Units and Fusion Centers”, with Chris Alexander; Moderator: Larry Kraus
- **Combating Domestic Violent Extremism** (217) – “Data-informed Approaches to Targeted Violence Prevention at the Community-level”, with Daniel Avondoglio, Ryan Garfinkel, Ajmal Aziz, and Randy Foley; Moderator: Larry Kraus
- **Combating Domestic Violent Extremism** (222) – “Joint Counterterrorism Assessment Team (JCAT) - Bridging the Gap Between the IC and Intelligence Community”, with Brian J Beechner, Siobhan Carroll, Larry Kraus, and Lauren Knapp; Moderator: Larry Kraus
- **Combating Domestic Violent Extremism** (240) – “Domestic Terrorism Offender-Level Database (DTOLD): Leveraging Data on Domestic Terrorist Actor Life Histories to Improve P/CVE Efforts”, with Megan McBride; Moderator: Larry Kraus
- **Combating Domestic Violent Extremism** (247) – “False Identities Used in the Rising Threat of Domestic Violent Extremism”, with Susan Fenimore Dworak; Moderator: Larry Kraus



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- **Combating Domestic Violent Extremism (260)** – “Protecting our Homeland: Mitigating Domestic Violent Extremism and Safeguarding Critical Infrastructure”, with David Mussington; Moderator: Larry Kraus
- **Community Preparedness and Resilience (92)** – “Enhancing Community Preparedness and Resilience”, with Joy Semien, Allen White, and Michelle Meyer; Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn
- **Community Preparedness and Resilience (127)** – “Partnering with the Community: Creating Innovative Alliances and Shared Solutions”, with Meredith Terrell and Christophe Arnold; Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn
- ~~**Community Preparedness and Resilience (134)** – “Flood Preparedness and Community Resiliency”, with William Pappas and Neil Durfee; Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn~~ withdrew 05/02/2024
- **Community Preparedness and Resilience (157)** – “Integrating Emergency Management into Whole Community Resilience”, with Chad Payeur, Sharon Kushnir, and Rachel Cychosz; Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn
- **Counterterrorism (22-1)** – “Understanding the Threat: An Analysis of Terrorism, Trends, and Tactics”, with Alyssa Schulenberg, Rhett Spivey, and Shalan McClelland; Moderator: Jason Stewart
- **Counterterrorism (32-7)** – “The Global Terrorism Index (GTI): The Recent Trends and the Economic Cost of Terrorism for the U.S.”, with N. A. Zanca; Moderator: Jason Stewart
- **Counterterrorism (70-8)** – “Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Team 101 Brief”, with Myra Novak; Moderator: Jason Stewart
- **Counterterrorism (94-6)** – “The Evolution and State of the Art of the Definition of Homeland Security in Federal Strategies, Plans, and Related Documents”, with Alexander Siedschlag; Moderator: Jason Stewart
- **Counterterrorism (172-2)** – “Enhancing the Protection of Soft Targets and Crowded Places Through Suspicious Activity Reporting Outreach and Red Team Exercise”, with Dan Albert; Moderator: Jason Stewart
- **Counterterrorism (184-4)** – “Security Situational Awareness”, with Michael Kline, Ulysses Alvarado, and Jonae Montoya; Moderator: Jason Stewart
- **Counterterrorism (224-3)** – “Human Behavioral Responses during an IED Attack”, with Curtis Tilley, Ajmal Aziz, and William Parkin; Moderator: Jason Stewart
- **Counterterrorism (234-5)** – “Active Shooter Incident Case Study and Preparedness Options and Resources for Consideration”, with Daniel Avondoglio, Chuck Balaj, and Andrew Gagan; Moderator: Jason Stewart
- **Cybersecurity (1)** – “Learning to Live Left of Boom - Embracing Cyber Resilience”, with Christopher Cruz; Moderators: Dawn Thomas and Adam Monsolve
- **Cybersecurity (6)** – “Securing AI in Critical Infrastructure and Cyberspace”, with Noah Ringler; Moderators: Dawn Thomas and Adam Monsolve
- **Cybersecurity (31)** – “Blindfolded, Broken and Burned: The Unknown and Unmitigated Risk of APIs”, with Richard Bird and Moderators: Dawn Thomas and Adam Monsolve



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- **Cybersecurity** (47) – “Cyber Attack - A Tale of Two Cities”, with; Moderators: Dawn Thomas and Adam Monsolve
- **Cybersecurity** (69) – “The National Impact of Advanced Persistent Cyber Attacks”, with Richard Tenney; Moderators: Dawn Thomas and Adam Monsolve
- **Cybersecurity** (93&209) – “Assessing the National Security Threats of Foreign Made UAS”, with Benjamin Sugg, and “UAS Cybersecurity: Securing Critical Infrastructure UAS Fleets”, with Michael Lees; Moderators: Dawn Thomas and Adam Monsolve
- **Cybersecurity** (208) – “NCR Identity and Access Management Service (IAMS)”, with Paul Kapalka, Marc Boorshtein, and Scott Scheurich; Moderators: Dawn Thomas and Adam Monsolve
- **Cybersecurity** (210) – “Integrating Accessibly into Cybersecurity”, with Margaret Fairchild Morton and Tracy Goodhue; Moderators: Dawn Thomas and Adam Monsolve

- **Emerging Technologies** (113) – “The Next Battlefield: Illicit Markets Hosted on Encrypted Communication Platforms “, with Robert C. Perkins, Fatemeh Aslanzadeh, Eden Kamar, and David Maimon; Moderator: Susanna Taddei
- **Emerging Technologies** (201) – ““Houston, We Have A [Rail] Problem”: Enhancing Rail Safety in An Urban Environment “, with David Lindsey, Alison Belcher, Douglas Pasley, and Garreth Rempel; Moderator: Susanna Taddei
- **Emerging Technologies** (203) – “Strengthening Collaboration and Coordination Through the Implementation of Small Unmanned Aerial Systems (sUAS) “, with Hannah Thomas, Doug Miller, and Jason Cokinos; Moderator: Susanna Taddei
- **Emerging Technologies** (213) – “Engagement Strategies and Best Practices: Safeguarding Communities Against Domestic Violent Extremism “, with Haris Tarin and Nabeela N. Barbari; Moderator: Susanna Taddei
- **Emerging Technologies** (231) – “Preparedness in Times of Rapid Change “, with Dr. Dimitri Kusnezov, Pete Gomez, and Ben Almquist; Moderator: Susanna Taddei
- **Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing** (87) – ~~“Breaking Down Silos: Advancing Crime Analysis through Inter-Agency Information Sharing “, with Amanda Bruner, Kaitlin Moloney, and TJ Sweet; Moderator: Siobhan Carroll~~ withdrew 4/19/24
- **Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing** (162) – “Homeland Security Information Network–Intelligence (HSIN-Intel) “, with Max Lassiter; Moderator: Siobhan Carroll
- **Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing** (198) – “Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing Through a Unified Lens “, with Justin Alexander, Stephanie Laufer, Bradley Johnston, and Jeffrey Thomas Bascue II; Moderator: Siobhan Carroll
- **Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing** (263) – “Bureaucratic Decision Making and Intelligence Failures in the Context of January 6th”, with Taylor Mackin; Moderator: Siobhan Carroll
- **Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing** (265) – “How to Evaluate Unusual Threat Reporting”, with Anish Bhatt; Moderator: Siobhan Carroll
- **Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing** (266) – “Best Practices on Public-Private Engagement on Threats to Critical Infrastructure, with Kelly Moss; Moderator: Siobhan Carroll



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- **Grants and Program Management (139)** – “Cybersecurity Grant Program Novel Approaches, Promising Practices, and Listening Session”, with Elizabeth "Bess" Mitchell, Amanda Carver, and Amanda Lemminga; Moderators: Dawn Heartsong and Mark Silveira
- **Grants and Program Management (215)** – “Consolidated Grant Management - The Secret Sauce”, with Robbie Coates; Moderators: Dawn Heartsong and Mark Silveira
- **Grants and Program Management (226)** – “From the Ground Up: Leveraging the Homeland Security Grant Program's Community Preparedness and Resilience National Priority Area”, with Aaron Levy, SuuVa Tai, and Meredith Terrell; Moderators: Dawn Heartsong and Mark Silveira

- **Public Health (3)** – “U.S. Homeland Defense Strategic Public Health”, with Jose de Arimateia da Cruz; Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru
- **Public Health (116)** – “All Roads Lead to Hospitals”, with Natasha Strokin and Vincent Torres; Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru
- **Public Health (144)** – “Standards Development and Technology Assessments to Enhance Public Safety Against Fentanyl and Related Compounds”, with Ashley Bradley, Shelby Stotemyer, and Jonathan Forman; Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru
- **Public Health (148)** – “Mpox (formerly known as monkeypox) response or Smallpox response pilot? Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) Lessons Learned from Mpox Public Health Emergency Response”, with Scott G Drexler PhD, Marge Griffin, John M. Brown, and William Perry Vaughn; Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru
- **Public Health (175/193)** – “Does a Public Health Approach to Violence Prevention Advance Homeland Security?”, with Stevan Weine, Sarah Patrick, Cassie Carnright, and Claire Moravec; Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru
- **Public Health (196)** – “Community Health Worker Deployment to Enhance Community Recovery, Preparedness, and Resilience in Travis County, Texas”, with Katherine Rose Perez; Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru
- **Public Health (211)** – “REP CI/KR Verification and Implementation Project FEMA5/MN HSEM”, with Andrew Tepfer, Chad Hanson, Anthony Adduci, and Todd Lawson; Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru
- **Public Health (219)** – “Regional Approach to Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) Response, Victim Tracking, and Reunification”, with Andrea Glass, Michelle Seitz, Kim Gathers, and Brian Lee; Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru

- **Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health (12)** – “Policing on Camera-The Good, the Bad and the Ugly of Body-Worn Cameras”, with Daniel E. Morgalo; Moderator: Irene Navis
- **Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health (44)** – “Trauma Recovery, Resilience, and Officer Wellness”, with Daniel Willis, Moderator: Irene Navis
- **Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health (72)** – “Justice Begins Within - Nurturing Resilience and Well-Being”, with Jeff Davis *and...*; Moderator: Irene Navis



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- **Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health (135)** – “Striking a Balance: Cultivating an Agile and Resilient Workforce in Turbulent Times”, with Scott Drexler, PhD; Moderator: Irene Navis
- **Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health (160)** – “Responders' Wellness and Resiliency”, with Robert J. Contee III; Moderator: Irene Navis
- **Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health (177)** – “Comprehensive, Coordinated Behavioral Health- From Preparedness to Recovery”, with Dr. Rashid Chotani and Misty Robinson; Moderator: Irene Navis

- **Planning (48)** – “Getting Ready for Anything: Building Readiness through Planning, Training, and Exercise – A Case Study of Alaska”, with Jared Woody and Dave Reilly; Moderator: Blake Fisher
- **Planning (83)** – “A World in Motion: Global Migration and the Future of Emergency Management”, with Tayler Lorence; Moderator: Blake Fisher

- **Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities (4)** – “How to Blow Up a Pipeline – or other Critical Infrastructure – How-to, Mitigations, and Disruptions”, with Joe Varbero; Moderator: Jorge Torres
- **Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities (77)** – “Preparing Emergency Management/Responder Infrastructure for Long-Duration, Widespread Power Outages”, with Michael Lambert; Moderator: Jorge Torres
- **Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities (103)** – “Assessing Security Risk in Public Transit Infrastructure”, with Virginia (Ginny) Warren and Kerry L. Thomas; Moderator: Jorge Torres
- **Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities (114)** – “Enhancing Community Preparedness and Resilience through Community Lifelines”, with Halil Grieb and Jesse Spearo; Moderator: Jorge Torres
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- **Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities (138)** – “The Challenge of Examining Critical Infrastructure Risk and Resilience across Entire Regions”, with Peter Fitzmaurice, and Leslie-Anne Levy; Moderator: Jorge Torres
- **Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities (232)** – “Managing Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) Risk to Critical Infrastructure”, with Micheal Hill; Moderator: Jorge Torres
- **Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities (241)** – “How Safe Is Your Port? A Public-Private Sector Examination of Vulnerabilities within the Maritime Transportation System Caused by Foreign Adversarial Access to Port Equipment and Supply Chain Management Systems”, with Amy Strauss, Dan Bell, Marisa Brusuelas, and Ben Trowbridge; Moderator: Jorge Torres



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- **Training and Exercise (15)** – “Emergency Alerts - Are You Hitting Your Target?”, with Martin Ritchey; Moderator: John Antapasis
- **Training and Exercise (26)** – “Crawl, Walk, Run: The Evolution of a Rescue Task Force Training Progression”, with Andrew Soike and Derek Hardy; Moderator: John Antapasis
- **Training and Exercise (33)** – “Hunter Seeker: The Preliminary Findings Report on the 2024 Weaponization of Synthetic Opioids and Subsequent Events in the St. Louis Region”, with David Schuld, Derek Rieger, Kristen Capps-Jones, and Brad Zoref; Moderator: John Antapasis
- **Training and Exercise (34)** – “Enhancing Election Security Discussion-Based Exercise”, with David Schuld; Moderator: John Antapasis
- **Training and Exercise (50)** – “Two Paths to an Ongoing Culture of Learning: How to use HSEEP and the National Continuous Improvement Guidance (NCIG)”, with Jennifer Lynch and Lee Zelewicz; Moderator: John Antapasis
- **Training and Exercise (91)** – “2023 Texas Statewide Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) Full Scale Exercise: Concept and Lessons Learned”, with Brandon Gentry; Moderator: John Antapasis
- **Training and Exercise (120)** – “Evolving Exercises to Focus on Prevention and Protection Mission Areas: A Workshop”, with David Schuld and Michael Satter; Moderator: John Antapasis
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- **Training and Exercise (233)** – “Preparing the Whole Community: Exercising Active Attacker Scenarios”, with Amy Ramirez, Juan Daniels, and Meredith Terrell; Moderator: John Antapasis