AGENDA
ST. LOUIS AREA REGIONAL RESPONSE SYSTEM
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, August 9, 2018 – 9:00 A.M.
ST. LOUIS CITY FIRE HEADQUARTERS

1. CALL TO ORDER BY DON FEHER, PRESIDENT

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 14, 2018 MEETING

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

   A. Directors Report  NICK GRAGNANI
           STARRS

   B. Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack Project  KYLE McPHEE
           DAVID SCHULD
           Hagerty Consulting

   C. Healthcare Preparedness Committee Report  JOHN WHITAKER
           Fire & Safety Specialist
           Missouri Department of Mental Health
           MICHELLE TANTON
           Emergency Preparedness & Compliance
           St. Louis Children’s Hospital

4. ACTION ITEMS

   A. Regional Security Expenditures  NICK GRAGNANI

   B. Nominating Committee Report  TONY FALCONIO
           Madison County, IL Emergency Management

4. OTHER BUSINESS

5. NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

    Thursday, September 13, 2018 9:00 AM
The meeting of the STARRS Board of Directors was called to order at 11:30 a.m. at the City of St. Louis Fire Headquarters, 1421 N. Jefferson, St. Louis, Missouri, with attendance as follows:

**Directors Present**
- Greg Brown
- Gary Christmann
- Mark Diedrich
- Jim Fingerhut
- Todd Fulton
- Justin Hauser
- Chris Hunt
- Dennis Jenkerson
- Joann Leykam
- Brian Naeger
- John Nowak

**Ex Officio**
- Bill Roche
- Dave Todd
- John Whitaker

**On the Phone**
- Jim Wild

**Also in attendance**
- Anthony Falconio
- Sarah Gamblin-Luig

Also in attendance were Derek Lohner, Missouri State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA). STARRS / East-West Gateway Council of Governments staff that were present include Staci Alvarez, Ky Kee, Brian Marler, and Leah Watkins.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Bill Roche, Vice-President, called the meeting to order.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 17, 2018 MEETING**

Motion was made to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2018 meeting. Motion carried, all voting aye

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**FY 2018 UASI Grant Application Update**

Leah Watkins advised the Board that on May 21, 2018 the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announced their Homeland Security Grant Programs for 2018, which included the Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) Grant application. She stated that 32 Urban Areas were awarded funding from the FY 2018 UASI grant and that 3 previously funded jurisdictions were dropped, this includes the cities of Cleveland, OH; Indianapolis, IN; and, Salt Lake City, UT. The cities of Honolulu, HI and Orlando, FL were added. Leah advised that the St. Louis Urban Area was awarded a total of $3 million for FY 2018, she stated further that with the amounts removed for the management and administrative (M&A) costs for both the State of Missouri and East-West Gateway the remaining additional funds to be distributed totaled...
$42,240. She explained further that a portion of the region’s funding will also be used by the State as M&A for the management of the Non-profit Security Grant Program (NSGP). A total of 15 applications were received by staff for the NSGP, with one being rejected because of its non-profit status. Leah advised that DHS increased the award amounts per agency this year to $150,000 up from $75,000 in previous years and that we anticipate there being maybe two agencies awarded funding from the NSGP this year. Leah advised further that the FY 2018 UASI grant guidance requires, as in previous years, that a Fusion Center Investment Justification (IJ) be included. However, this year there is a new requirement to include a Cybersecurity IJ in the UASI grant application. She stated that the remaining award amount of $42,240 was used to fund this required IJ. Gary Christmann inquired from what information did staff use to write the Cybersecurity IJ? Leah advised that staff worked with the Fusion Center and gathered information from the DHS Bulletin on Cybersecurity to draft the IJ.

**STARRS Board Handbook**

Ky Kee distributed the new STARRS Board Handbook to the members present. She explained the new outline of the Handbook which includes information that is also available on a flash drive, which was also distributed to each member present. Ky explained that the information on the flash drive is identical to the documents found in the three ring binders.

**STARRS Subcommittee Survey**

Ky advised the Board of the STARRS Subcommittee survey, which Director Nick Gragnani emailed information about to the STARRS Subcommittee Chairs and Co-chairs on June 4, 2018. Ky explained that the survey allows staff to track committee activity and develop reports based on information gathered from the survey. This also allows the Board members, specifically subcommittee representatives to the Board, to better understand how their subcommittee activity fits into the regional response capability picture and how those pieces work together when an incident occurs. Information gathered through the survey will also allow each of the STARRS Subcommittees to report to the Board on their projects currently being developed so that Board members understand the need for future funding requests. Jim Wild inquired about the time line for when staff wanted the survey completed. Ky advised staff did not set a deadline, however, staff would like to have survey data available for presentation at the August STARRS Board meeting.

**Subcommittee Reports**

- Emergency Medical Services (EMS) – Jim Fingerhut advised the Board that the EMS Committee was establishing a Committee Charter which will outline committee membership and set committee goals and objectives. The Committee is bringing in new membership that hopefully will create new ideas and goals. They are reaching out to the entire Missouri Region C area as defined by the Missouri Hospital Preparedness Grant funding area, specifically for the southern portions of Region C. Additionally, they are standardizing regional resources and how they are deployed. Jim then spoke on the merits of the Pulse Point software and the work of Brian Zinanni from Clayton Fire to role this important software tool out across the region.
• Mass Fatality – Sarah Gamblin-Luig advised the board that the Mass Fatality Committee has established section leaders for Finance, Logistics and Planning which sets better operational structures for how resources are staged and deployed throughout the region.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Regional Security Expenditures**

Leah Watkins, summarized staff’s recommendation of the following expenditures, totaling $1,005,471. The expenditures will be funded from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) and Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant programs.

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<td>10 Automatic License Plate Reader Cameras from Turn Key Mobile</td>
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<td>Rope rescue equipment to include static kernmantel rope, prussik cord, tubular rescue webbing from Kenco Fire Equipment, Inc.</td>
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<td>Various shoring equipment from Banner Fire, Inc.</td>
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<td>Purchase</td>
<td>300 Intrinsically Safe portable radio batteries from Warner Communications Corporation</td>
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Motion approving the recommendation was made. Motion carried, all voting aye.

**Nominating Committee Report**

Staci Alvarez summarized the Nominating Committee’s STARRS Sub-Committee recommendations. She advised that although Gary Christmann was recommended as the Healthcare Coalition Category C Director, the STARRS Bylaws only allow one Category C Director for the ESF-8 Group, which recently changed to the Healthcare Coalition. Gary Christmann was selected as the vice-chair for the Healthcare Coalition. Staci then advised the following:

**Subcommittee Category C Director Appointments**

- Healthcare Coalition – Vanessa Poston, Missouri Baptist Hospital (Voting), replacing Dan Gillen, St. Louis University Hospital
- Healthcare Preparedness – Michele Tanton, St. Louis Children’s Hospital (Non-Voting), replacing Kaitlin Walker, SSM Healthcare

**New Subcommittee Applicants**

Hazardous Materials
Mark Skornia, Emergency Management Director, City of Washington

Law Enforcement

Randy Jemerson, Commander-Tactical Operations, City of St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department

Removals/Resignations

Healthcare Preparedness:

    Kaitlin Walker, SSM Health, resigned from committee

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

OTHER BUSINESS

None

NEXT MEETING & ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made. Motion carried, all voting aye. The meeting was adjourned at 11:58 AM.

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Anthony Falconio
Training and Exercise Planning Workshop

St. Louis Area Regional Response System (STARRS)

Tuesday, September 18, 2018 0900-1200

St. Louis City Fire Headquarters – Auditorium

1421 N. Jefferson Ave 63106

Agency representatives who participate in STARRS regional planning, training, and exercise activities are encouraged to attend and participate in developing the regional Training & Exercise Plan 2019-2021. Partners engaged with Regional UASI, St. Louis Regional Health Care Coalition (HPP-PHEP-Ebola), CCTA, and EMPG grants are encouraged to attend.

Space is limited so RSVP is requested but not required, Dale.Chambers@ewgateway.org.

Forward upcoming training or exercise events you would like to include in the regional calendar to Dale.Chambers@ewgateway.org.

Tentative Agenda:

8:30 am - 8:59 Sign in

9:00 – 11:00 Regional initiatives and training opportunities

11:00 Calendar discussion and exercise opportunities

12:00 Dismiss

This is an in-person only meeting, no conference line will be available.
INFOBRIEF: Kick-Off to the St. Louis Regional Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) Program

The Threat is Real. What is CCTA?

CCTAs include acts of terrorism and mass murder that share similar characteristics to active threats but differ in their complexity. CCTAs are characterized by their unique tactics, techniques, and procedures:

» Synchronized and independent teams at multiple locations
» Attacks striking multiple targets simultaneously or in close succession
» Locations selected for being a soft target or other vulnerable environment initiated with little or no warning
» Employing multiple weapons systems: firearms, explosives, and even nontraditional attack methodologies that are intended to result in large numbers of casualties.

Communities and their public safety agencies need to be prepared for not only the tactical response but also the enormous inter-agency coordination required to effectively manage these dynamic events.

About the Grant

In 2016, the U.S. Congress provided the Department of Homeland Security and its Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) $35.9 million to distribute to select communities across the country to develop plans, trainings, and exercises that focus on enhancing preparedness against CCTAs. 29 recipients were selected in July 2017. The East-West Gateway Council of Governments received $1.474 million in federal grant dollars, one of the larger awards to the selected recipients.

About the Program Team

Hagerty Consulting, a nationally recognized emergency management and homeland security firm, will lead a team of project managers and subject matter experts to support STARRS in the successful development of plans, training, exercises, and a program capstone. The team includes an on-site regional coordinator to directly support STARRS and its partners in program delivery.

Learn More:
www.HagertyConsulting.com

Enhancing Preparedness Across the Region

Hagerty is working with the East West Gateway Council of Governments (EWGCOG) and the St. Louis Area Regional Response System (STARRS) to support program delivery through comprehensive guide development, training and exercise management, and stakeholder outreach.

An Innovative Approach to an Evolving Challenge

Hagerty’s philosophy is that an effective program for these types of attacks must involve the whole community. The stakeholder group is a CCTA workgroup that includes representatives from fire, law enforcement, EMS, hospitals, and other response agencies.
Strengthening Capabilities Across the Region

The goal is to enhance preparedness and build capacity to prepare for, prevent, and respond to CCTA in collaboration with the whole community across the region through the planning, training, and exercise deliverables below.

### Planning
- **Operational Guides**
  Guides and checklists will be developed for frontline first responders for six functional areas.
- **Regional Response CCTA Guide**
  The Guide provides context for a common, coordinated, and unified approach to responding to a CCTA.

### Training and Exercise
- **Response Drills**
  Drills to validate the operational guides in a full-scale activity.
- **River Response Workshops**
  Stakeholders will discuss tactical issues specific to riverine attack scenarios.
- **Fusion Center Tabletops**
  Stakeholders will focus on intelligence and information sharing.
- **Public Information Exercise**
  Exercise will simulate the coordinated release of public information.
- **Intelligence & Information Sharing Exercise**
  Intermittent exercise to test engagement between frontline responders with the Fusion Center.
- **Area Command Exercise**
  Interactive exercise to validate transfer to area command after a lone active threat escalates to CCTA.

### Capstone
- **CCTA Capstone Exercise**
  Exercise to simulate the activities associated with the response and coordination of the initial response.
Memo to: Board of Directors
From: Staff
Subject: Regional Security Expenditures
Date: August 2, 2018

Staff is requesting authorization to expend funds in support of regional security that will improve the region’s disaster preparedness and response capabilities. Funding will come from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) grant program. Attachment A summarizes this purchases totaling $156,570. Also attached is a summary description of all budgeted expenditures from the UASI grants (Attachment B).

1. **Automatic License Plate Reader Server** – Last June the Board approved the purchase of Automatic License Plate Reader Cameras for the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department. We are now requesting approval to purchase a Dell computer server that will be used to support the License Plate Reader Cameras operations. The server will be installed within the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department’s Real Time Crime Center. Total Cost will not exceed $20,585.

2. **Law Enforcement Tactical Communication Headsets** – We are requesting approval to purchase 20 Law Enforcement Tactical Communication Headsets for the St. Clair County/Belleville, Illinois Law Enforcement Specialty Response Team. The headsets will work with the team’s Motorola XTS-5000 portable radios. Total costs will not exceed $11,900.

3. **Sandbag Machine** – We are requesting approval to purchase a sandbag machine for the St. Clair County, Illinois Emergency Management Agency. This brings a total of seven sandbag machines in the region; one in the City of St. Louis, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe and St. Charles Counties and two in St. Clair County, Illinois. Total cost will not exceed $.

4. **Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) Baseline Training** - The five US&R Teams in the St. Louis metropolitan region need to provide on-going support baseline rescue training for the current and new team members. Therefore, we are requesting approval to train a total of 60 fire personnel in the St. Louis metropolitan area to the
Rescue Specialist position. This baseline training includes Technical Rescuer: Core; Rope Rescue Level I and II; and Boat Rescue Operations Technician. Total costs will not exceed $28,600.

The purchases described in this memo are being made in accordance with the agency’s procurement policy.

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

- for the purchase of one Dell Power Edge Server with necessary hardware and accessories from Dell, Incorporated in an amount not to exceed $20,585;
- for the purchase of 20 Law Enforcement Tactical Headsets from ABM Supply in an amount not to exceed $11,900;
- for the purchase of a Sandbag Machine from Express Scale Parts, Incorporated in an amount not to exceed $95,485; and,
- to allow the Executive Director to enter into a contract with the University of Missouri, Fire Rescue Training Institute to provide baseline rescue training courses Technical Rescuer: Core; Rope Rescue Level I and II; and Boat Rescue Operations Technician in an amount not to exceed $28,600;

for a total amount not to exceed $156,570 from the UASI grant program.
## ATTACHMENT A

### Expenditures for Equipment and Services

**August 2, 2018**

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<td>ABM Supply (Lenexa, KS)</td>
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<td>University of Missouri Fire Rescue Training Institute (Columbia, MO)</td>
<td>Urban search and rescue training courses</td>
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**Total UASI Expenditures:** $156,570.00

Total UASI Expenditures: $156,570
Critical Response Teams

A key goal under the UASI Strategy is to strengthen our critical response teams. We have largely accomplished this goal with hazardous materials and heavy rescue equipment and training. These teams are capable of responding to terrorist attacks, industrial accidents or natural disasters like earthquakes and tornadoes. Another element of critical response includes medical supplies for mass casualty incidents. The MCI trailers represent the first stage of meeting this need for the EMS community. Also included is equipment for Incident Management Teams that will consist of emergency responders from all disciplines. These mobile teams are activated to support emergency responders managing an event where the event continues over many hours or days.

Law Enforcement Tactical Team Equipment

There are 7 law enforcement tactical response units in the region which need communications, tactical lights and personal protective equipment. Three of the teams will receive tactical vehicles and Metro Air Support will receive a helicopter and other equipment to support response to a variety of terrorist incidents.

Interoperable Communications

A variety of projects come within the description of Interoperable Communications. Radio caches, satellite phones and video conferencing and the Land Mobile Radio Communications Plan are included, as well as a microwave tower backbone system.

The Virtual EOC

The virtual EOC strengthens regional collaboration on a day to day basis through a web based interactive network that links the region's eight EOC's and numerous other users for planning, preparing for and responding to an incident. In future years we hope to add a robust Geographic Information System capability.
ATTACHMENT B
Cumulative Budgeted Expenditures for Major Projects under Urban Areas Security Initiative
through Fiscal Year 2016

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<td>based tracking system. The data includes identification, triage</td>
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<td>establish an automated syndromic surveillance system for the</td>
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<td>**Mass Casualty Equipment, Medical Supplies and Software for</td>
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<td>Hospitals**</td>
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1 This total represents the sum of UASI funds awarded for equipment and contractual obligations for fiscal years 2003 - 2017. The schedule represents the cumulative amount spent, from both open and closed grants, on major projects since the inception of the Homeland Security Grant Program.

**Terrorism Early Warning Center**

The TEW is operated by the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department and the St. Louis County Police Department and serves as a central clearinghouse for information and intelligence to help detect and prevent acts of terrorism.

**Citizen Preparedness**

This program includes Citizen Emergency Response Teams and other similar teams designed to educate the public about disaster preparedness and train them to assist their neighbors. Expenditures include equipment and training to help citizens learn to respond to hazards as part of a team in their neighborhood or workplace, and public information. The program also includes the sheltering project which brings generators and shelters into the region to protect citizens who need shelter.

**Regional Coordination Planning**

Includes regional emergency coordination planning, mutual aid improvements, public information and enhancements to critical infrastructure protection.

**Exercises**

A regional Full Scale Exercise (FSE) will be held during the second quarter of 2016. The FSE scenario will be terrorist based involving a mass casualty incident and will involve regional hospitals, public health, fire and law enforcement agencies.

**Training**

Most disciplines have received and will continue to attend training activities to enhance their skills. Included are heavy rescue, hazmat, incident management teams, law enforcement, public health and hospitals.
Memo to:    Board of Directors
From:    Staff
Subject:    Nomination of Sub-Committee Appointments
Date:    August 2, 2018

The Nominating Committee offers updates to the Board Officers, appointments of STARRS’ Sub-
Committee representatives, the reaffirmation of existing Sub-Committee representatives and
approval for the removal of Subcommittee members.

Sub-Committee Category C Director Appointments

In accordance with the Bylaws the Nominating Committee recommends that the following Sub-
Committees representative be appointed as Director:

- Training and Exercise – Derek Reiger, City of St. Louis Fire Department (Voting), replacing
  Rikki Maus, St. Louis County

Subcommittee Applicants

The Nominating Committee recommends the following individuals for membership on a STARRS
Sub-Committee:

Healthcare Preparedness

George Salsman, Manager of Safety/Emergency Management, St. Luke’s Hospital. Request to rejoin
committee.

Linda Abrams, Quality Manager, Timberlake Surgery Centers. Request to rejoin committee.

Robert B. Johnson, Safety Officer, Select Specialty Hospital. Brian Johnson is a Manager of Respiratory
Care and also the Safety Officer for Select Specialty Hospital. He received his Bachelor of Arts in Business
from St. Louis University in 2004. In 2007, he graduated with an Associates in Respiratory Therapy. For 11
years, he has worked as a Respiratory Therapist, specializing in Adult Critical Care, Neonatal Intensive Care,
and Emergency Medicine. During his time as a Respiratory Instructor, he educated students on subjects from
basic fundamentals in respiratory care to the advance modes of mechanical ventilation. Over the course of
three years, he helped create and start an online Bachelors Program for Respiratory Therapy. Recently, with
his new position at Select Specialty Hospital, Brian has changed his focus to the management side of
Respiratory Care and also the Safety Officer role for the hospital.
Joy Lairmore, Quality Coordinator, Ranken Jordan Pediatric Bridge Hospital. Joy is a registered respiratory therapist and has been a Quality Coordinator for 16 years at Ranken Jordan Pediatric Bridge Hospital. As Quality Coordinator, one of her responsibilities includes oversight of the Environment of Care committee which is charged with initiation and sustaining the emergency management program, implementation of emergency operation plans, policies, and drills. Additionally, she also serves on the Patient Safety committee working to oversee quality assessment performance improvements that each department of the hospital has a role in (clinical and non-clinical). She received her Bachelor of Health Science in 1992.

Mass Fatality

Jeana Vidacak, Emergency Response Planner, Jefferson County Health Department. Jeana has been with the Jefferson County Health Department for three years. In 2013, she started in the finance department and was soon promoted to Human Resources Manager. On November 1, she transitioned to the position of Emergency Response Planner.

Request for Removals/Resignations

Emergency Medical Services:
- Mark Thorp, Clayton Fire Department, retired

Healthcare Preparedness:
- Charlotte Wienski, Ranken Jordan, resigned from committee
- Andy Presti, Mercy Hospital – Jefferson, retired

Mass Fatality:
- Judy Tufts, Jefferson County Health Department, resigned from committee
- Lillie Jackson, St. Louis University, request for removal by committee
- Brandon Jones, St. Charles County Ambulance District, request for removal by committee
- Rikki Maus, St. Louis County, resigned from committee

Training and Exercise:
- Rikki Maus, St. Louis County, resigned from committee

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board of Directors approve the Nominating Committee recommendations.