



2009

# Proposed Region 3 Spending Plan



**REPT Steering Committee**

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## Region 3 / Capitol Region Emergency Planning Committee Proposed Spending Plan

### **Executive Summary**

The Capitol Region has been managing homeland security funds on a regional basis since 2004 when a majority of the Region III municipalities pooled their individual funding allocations through the Capitol Regional Council of Governments and implemented a regional strategic homeland security plan.

Subsequently CREPC has initiated over thirty (30) regional homeland security projects totaling over thirteen million dollars utilizing State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) and Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention (LLETP) funds. Pursuant to the State of Connecticut Homeland Security Strategic Plan, the Capitol Region Emergency Planning Committee (CREPC) was tasked with the dual role of serving as the Regional Emergency Planning Team (REPT). This group works in conjunction with the Capitol Region Public Safety Council and Chiefs of Police and Fire Chiefs organizations. Over the past two years, the Region has worked to integrate and coordinate the CREPC/REPT spending plan with funding through Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grants. As a part of this effort, the projects in the 2009 Region III spending plan have been combined and re-grouped to align with the goals and objectives of the Region's consolidated (CREPC/UASI) strategic plan.

The proposed funding plan sustains and enhances homeland security projects initiated in the FFY 04 – FFY 08 spending plans.

**DEMHS Region 3 – Capitol  
Region**

**Proposed 2009 Spending Plan**

	RESF	Item	Cost	Category
<b>Item</b>				
1	All	Training and Exercises	\$ 300,000	Training/Exercises/ Equipment
2	2-Communications 5-Emergency Management 13-Public Safety and Security	Regional Command and Response Equipment	\$ 105,000	Equipment/Training/ Planning
3	2-Communications 5-Emergency Mgt 9 – Search and Rescue 11-Animal Response 13-Public Safety and Security	Support and equip regional response teams	\$ 95,000	Equipment/Training
4	2-Communications 3-Public Works 4-Firefighting 7-Resource Management 13-Public Safety & Security	Information Management and Sharing	\$ 285,000	Equipment/Planning
5	13 – Public Safety	Regional Police Training Facility	\$ 10,000	Equipment
	<b>SUMMARY</b>	<b>PROJECT TOTAL</b>	<b>795,000</b>	
		CRCOG Contracted Regional Planner(s)	\$ 44,500	
		CRCOG Staff support (8.2%)	\$ 75,000	
		<b>GRANT TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 914,500</b>	

RESF/s	<b>All</b>	RESF/s #	<b>All</b>
<b>Law Enforcement set-aside - \$150,000</b>		Cost:	<b>\$ 300,000</b>
Item	<b>Training and Exercises</b>		
Description:			
<b>Sustain and Expand current CRCOG SHSGP projects to support Training and Exercises. Integrate First Responder Training relating to Special Needs Populations.</b>			
Sustain current initiative providing funding to first responder and emergency preparedness organizations and personnel for CBRNE and domestic preparedness training. The two components of this project were initiated in 2004 as Project C – Training and in 2005 as Project R – Special Needs within the Capitol Region Council of Governments Homeland Security projects.			
Includes:	Training and Exercises (formerly Project C)	\$285,000	
	<u>Special Needs Training (formerly Project R)</u>	<u>\$ 15,000</u>	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$300,000</b>	
Budgeted funds will be used to fund eligible organizations for personnel costs (currently \$25.00 per hour, or \$200.00 a day) for approved Office of Domestic Preparedness (ODP) training, and/or sponsor ODP approved training courses and exercises. This project also funds the Capitol Region's Training Coordinator and the region's continuing and very successful program to provide specialized training to first responders for at risk populations.			
Justification: Continue to provide an extensive program of multi-discipline training for police, fire, public health, emergency medical, Haz Mat, and other emergency preparedness personnel in Region 3. This program is will be utilized by Region 3 personnel in preparing themselves for prevention, preparedness, response, and recovery actions in accordance with the associated capabilities from the US DHS Target Capabilities List. Responding to the needs of the Special Needs populations during an emergency presents a unique set of challenges. The first responder training program instructs individuals in best practices and preferred methods of interaction. The training includes viewpoints, concerns, and instruction from select representative Special Needs individuals. The training includes but is not limited to emergent care, patient handling perspectives, and communication personal skills.			
Solution Area/s:	Training and Exercises Equipment		

RESF/s	<b>Communications, Emergency Management, Public Safety and Security</b>	RESF #	<b>2, 5, 13</b>
<b>Law Enforcement Set-aside - \$30,000</b>		Cost:	<b>\$ 105,000</b>

Item	<b>Regional Command and Response Equipment</b>
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Description:

**Sustain current region-wide initiatives to provide and standardize equipment to support Regional Command and Response.**

Includes:

1. **Equip and standardize regional command and communication platforms** (initiated in 2004 as Project F – Equip Command Posts) \$ 50,000
  2. **Maintain special cell devices for law enforcement** (initiated in 2004 as Project G and in 2006 as Project 06.5 – CellDeK, \$ 5,000
  3. **Replace, as warranted, personal protective equipment (PPE)** that was initially provided to municipalities by the state in 2003. \$ 50,000
- TOTAL** **\$105,000**

Justification: The region continues to supply funding to 4 local municipalities through RESF-2 to maintain command and communication vehicles. These vehicles are a regional resource for regional communications. Equipment includes but is not limited to radios, wireless internet, Regional Integrated Communications cross band units, weather stations, GPS and mapping, digital recorders for all radios, tabletop copiers and fax machines. This continues the region’s multi-year initiative to improve operability among response and recovery agencies. The project also maintains acquired specialized cell phone technology (two units – in Bloomfield and Bristol)) for law enforcement, enabling the access to read and copy stored cell phone data and other similar technologies. It also allows for forensic examination of cell phones and stored data without sending the actual phone to a specialized lab or FBI. The PPE provided to municipalities by the State in 2003 is now past its useful life. Region 3 will solicit and evaluate requests for replacement equipment based on regional response needs and priorities.

Solution Area/s:      Equipment  
                                  Training  
                                  Planning

RESF	<b>Communications, Emergency Management, Search and Rescue, Animal Response, Public Safety and Security</b>	RESF #	<b>2, 5, 9, 11, 13</b>
<b>Law Enforcement Set-aside: \$55,000</b>		Cost:	<b>\$ 95,000</b>
Item	<b>Support and Equip Regional Response Teams</b>		
Description:			
<p><b>Sustain current region-wide initiatives to develop and support regional response teams for:</b> Search and Rescue, Animal Response, Regional Incident Dispatch, Regional Incident Management, and SWAT.</p>			
Includes:	Search and Rescue (formerly Project 6.2)	\$	10,000
	Animal Response (formerly Project S)	\$	15,000
	Regional Incident Dispatch (formerly Project 6.1 )	\$	5,000
	SWAT / Tactical Gear (formerly Projects G, 6.7)	\$	55,000
	<u>Incident Management Team (formerly Project 7.4)</u>	\$	<u>10,000</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>95,000</b>
<p>Region 3 is committed to supporting regional response teams as the most efficient and effective way of being prepared and developing the capabilities to respond to events.</p>			
<p><b>Search and Rescue:</b></p> <p>Justification: Region 3 maintains its Search and Rescue capabilities through the Connecticut Canine Search And Rescue team. This team consists entirely of volunteer members who have traditionally funded their own operational costs for the unit. The CCSAR has taken the lead as the RESF-9 and the budgeted funds will be used to sustain certain operational costs and marketing tools to regional municipalities. The CCSR capabilities include but are not limited to water and land searches, live body search, bike search and rescue, and cadaver recovery. The team maintains NIMS and CERT certifications. Budgeted items for this team may include, but are not limited to, search and rescue equipment, canine care for search and rescue operations, vehicle maintenance.</p>			
<p><b>Animal Response</b></p> <p>This project was initiated in 2005 as Project S – Animal Rescue within the Capitol Region Council of Governments Homeland Security projects. It provides RESF capabilities for Region 3. Budgeted funds will be used to continue the acquisition of special animal containment, transporting, and rescue equipment and devices, along with training opportunities for CT_SART and regional first responders.</p> <p>Justification: It is approximated that 60% of the state’s population maintain household pets. Of that percentage anecdotal evidence suggests over 30% of those having pets will not evacuate or seek refuge without their pets. The region has initiated a multi-year program to acquire portable pens for deployment to regional shelter locations providing the capability for individuals and families to be sheltered with their pets. Additionally the CT-SART can provide equipment and expertise for the rescue of entrapped larger animals such as horses and livestock.</p>			
<p><b>Regional Incident Dispatch Team</b></p> <p>Sustain current regional initiative to support the Regional Incident Dispatch (RID) Team, which provides the regions communication and interoperability links during multi-jurisdictional incidents or events. This project was initiated in 2006 as Project 06.I RID Team within the Capitol Region Council of Governments Homeland Security projects. Budgeted funds will be used to offset certain operational</p>			

costs per the Approved Equipment List.

Justification: Interoperability and standardized communication platforms continue to be a primary target for the Region and the state of Connecticut. The RID Team provides that linkage through the regional command and communication posts. Per the region's Tactical Interoperable Communications Plan (TIC-P) the RID team serves as or supports the Communications Unit Leader for multi-jurisdictional incidents, or events. The team consists of sixteen public safety telecommunication specialists from fifteen local Public Safety Answering Points. The team also maintains the capability to augment local PSAP communication staff for limited time periods during emergencies.

**SWAT Teams**

Sustain current multi-year regional initiatives by providing funding to RESF-13 Public Safety & Security for Tactical Response / SWAT equipment. This project was initiated in 2004 as Projects G and G-1.

Justification: The region continues to fund and maintain nine (9) SWAT units which provide emergency response to CBRNE and critical incidents both within and outside the Capital Region. This project will supply needed equipment to enhance the teams' ability to respond to a full range of emergency incidents requiring a specialized law enforcement response.

**Incident Management Team**

This project was initiated in 2008 as Project 7.4. The CT – IMT-3 was developed following the Department of Homeland Security All Hazards Incident Management Team model to provide expertise and incident management resources to assist in on-scene or regional coordination center incident management. This project began in 2008 as a training initiative under the Urban Area Security Initiative within the Capitol Region Council of Governments and Region 3/Hartford Urban Area. Equipment and training for the team was funded using Homeland Security Grant funds through Project C Training. The team is endorsed by the CT Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security and maintains a mobile incident management equipment cache. Budgeted funds will be used to offset certain operational costs and complete/sustain inventory per the Authorized Equipment List.

Justification: Incident management is a critical function for effective response and recovery capabilities. The IMT provides expertise for this key function for the entire State of Connecticut, if needed. The team consists of approximately fifty volunteer emergency management professionals from across the state, representing all areas of expertise. The team maintains the capability to deploy at any time.

Solution Area/s:        Equipment  
                                  Training

RESF	<b>Communications, Fire Fighting, Resource Management, Public Safety and Security</b>	RESF #	<b>2, 4, 7, 13</b>
<b>Law Enforcement Set-aside: \$125,000</b>		Cost:	<b>\$285,000</b>
Item	<b>Information Management and Sharing</b>		
Description:			
<b>Sustain current region-wide initiatives to develop a Common Operating Picture.</b>			
Includes:	Identification/Credentialing System (formerly Project P)	\$	20,000
	Mobile Data Terminals (CAPTAIN) (formerly Project I)	\$	125,000
	ROBIR/AFIS (formerly Project M)	\$	50,000
	Inventory Management (formerly Project 7.1)	\$	40,000
	<u>DMV Photo Licensing Project (formerly Project 7.8)</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>50,000</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$285,000</b>
<b><i>Identification / Credentialing System</i></b>			
Sustain current region wide initiative providing for the capability to identify, credential and account for first responders, staff, and volunteers at incident scenes or event locations. This project was initiated in 2004 as Project P – Salamander / ID System within the Capitol Region Council of Governments Homeland Security projects. Budgeted funds will be used to expand the current Salamander Technologies ID system within Region 3 by acquisition of additional ID units, handheld scanners, and credentialing hardware.			
Justification: The system provides on-scene capabilities critical to maintaining personnel accountability and security. The system can be used to aid in the management of all scenes / sites from smaller single agency responses to multi-agency, multi-jurisdictional events.			
Solution Area:	Equipment		
<b><i>Mobile Data Terminals – (CAPTAIN)</i></b>			
Sustain and expand the current initiative for providing and supporting a Mobile Data Terminal platform for the police and fire departments in Region 3. This project was initiated for police departments in 1998 and for fire departments in 2005 as Project I - CAPTAIN Expansion, within the Capitol Region Council of Governments Homeland Security projects.			
Budgeted funds will be used to complete the data layer and support implementation and support upgrades to the system.			
Justification: To increase/improve data communications within the police and fire services. Data communications provide a direct link for responding units to visualize, via the onboard MDT, the response address/area, associated hazards, area topography, water resources, as well as other data collected during department / regional “pre-planning” initiatives. This information is vital to first responders allowing for operational considerations while en route to a CBRNE event.			
Additionally, for fire departments, this communication platform will utilize fire department common applications such as CAMEO, MARPLOT, and Fire House software for incident management, and incident documentation.			
Solution Area/s:	Planning Equipment		

**ROBIR / AFIS**

Sustain current initiative providing funding to RESF-13 Public Safety & Security for computer based fingerprint and mug shot identification systems This project was initiated in 2004 as Project M – Automated Fingerprint Identification System -within the Capitol Region Council of Governments Homeland Security projects. (Project was later expanded to include Regional Offender Biography and Image Retrieval (ROBIR) service)

Justification: These web based systems provide real time identification capability to local law enforcement with an interface into the CAPTAIN Police –mobile data terminals. ROBIR provides a live scan environment to provide photo and image capability aiding in the identification of suspect individuals.

Solution Area/s:: Equipment

**Inventory Management**

Sustain current initiative to develop and maintain a real time inventory of all resources and assets controlled by CREPC. Once integrated with other IT applications this resource data base would be readily available from any Regional Coordination Center location. This project was initiated in 2008 as Project 7.1 – Inventory Management -within the Capitol Region Council of Governments Homeland Security projects.

Justification: Over the previous five (5) years the Capitol Region has established initiatives and projects for equipment and resource acquisition. The current data on the acquired equipment resides in multiple formats in different locations none of which can be accessed through a windows based browser application. This resource / inventory management system will be used to maintain equipment readiness as well as its actual location, along with associated transportation requirements.

With the acquisition of regionally controlled equipment and assets comes the responsibility to maintain, and assure said equipments readiness. Over the past five (4) years this responsibility has resided with various individuals with limited or no authority to assure equipment readiness. The budgeted funds will be used to develop the capacity for one individual to serve as a Regional Logistician modeled after logistical support personnel used by UASR and DMAT organizations. The Regional Logistician will be responsible for the maintenance of both the equipment and the Regional Resource database.

Solution Area/s: Planning  
Equipment

**DMV Photo Licensing Project 2008**

Sustain current initiative to implement electronic photo image project in conjunction with the Department of Motor Vehicles. This project was initiated in 2008 as Project 7.5 – DMV Photo Licensing – within the Capitol Region Council of Governments Homeland Security Projects. Budgeted funds will be used to support and maintain the interface with the CT Department of Motor Vehicles vendor.

Justification: This project will enhance the capability and protection of law enforcement officers throughout the Capitol Region and all departments using the CAPTAIN mobile data communications system. In fact, it will be made available to any agency authorized by the Department of Motor Vehicles. This additional tool will be valuable to officers in the process of identification of criminals.

Solution Area/s: Planning  
Equipment

RESF	<b>Public Safety and Security</b>	RESF #	<b>13</b>
		Cost:	<b>\$ 10,000</b>
Item	<b>Regional Police Training Facility</b>		
Description:			
<p><b>Sustain current initiative to support the development of the regional police training facility.</b></p> <p>This project was initiated in 2008 as Project 7.6 – Regional Police Training Facility – within the Capitol Region Council of Governments Homeland Security projects. The Capitol Region Council of Governments received a Service Sharing grant from the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management for the purpose of creating a Regional Law Enforcement Training Center. The project, which will serve all Region 3 police agencies is well under way and will be built in the Town of Rocky Hill. The facility will include two classrooms, a room for two driving simulators and a two-floor simunitions room training of officers, SWAT members and K-9 teams.</p> <p>Budgeted funds will be used to purchase equipment necessary for the training facility as determined by the Capitol Region Chiefs of Police Association.</p> <p>Justification: This project will enhance the capability and training of law enforcement officers throughout the Capitol Region.</p> <p>Solution Areas:        Equipment</p>			