



To: Bay Area UASI Approval Authority
From: Kathleen McKenna
Date: April 12, 2012
RE: Item 8: Project Update of the Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant (RCPGP)

Action or Discussion Item:

Discussion

Staff Recommendation:

None

Discussion/Description:

Regional Logistics Plan Regional

The contract with URS is currently under review and once completed, this project should finally get underway sometime in late April.

Catastrophic Incident Training/Exercise Project

The MOU for this project is in the final stages with Alameda County and registration for classes under this grant should begin in April.

Regional Public Outreach and Community Preparedness Project Plan

- ***Building Community Readiness and Resiliency Project (Oakland)***
The Oakland Building Community Readiness and Resiliency Project (BCRR) have met with the Mayor's Office, Public Safety, Neighborhood Services, Communication, and Red Cross for the initial planning. The project is currently working on several important steps:
 - *BCRR Partnerships:* BCRR will be partnering with the faith based community and the Oakland Parks and Recreation Department on this project for community and youth engagement purposes. Efforts are also underway to develop a possible phone app focused on preparedness games.
 - *Community Survey:* The BCRR is now involved with the "100 Block Initiative" Program. The Initiative is designed to target some of the cities toughest neighborhoods. As part of the initiative, a survey will be conducted on April



17th, 2012 and the Building Community Readiness and Resiliency Project will be participating. The objective of the survey is to gather baseline information regarding public safety and disaster preparedness perceptions and concerns. The outreach will enable this project to build better relationships and trust with the pilot Elmhurst community to tailor the BCRR training and outreach curriculum.

- *BCRR Internship*: Recruitment is underway for several interns to assist with this project to enhance community organization and add a "social media" aspect. The interns will be a mix from both college (University of California, Berkeley and University of Indiana) and local high school (2 to 3 interns).
- ***GR5 Bay Area Project (San Rafael)***

The GR5 Project has established a working group with representation throughout the Bay Area including Mill Valley, Napa, Pleasant, Concord, Daly City, San Francisco and Napa with subject matter experts ranging from Emergency Managers, Educators, Fire, and Law Enforcement with experience in youth preparedness. They are in the final stages of completing their stakeholder outreach database, sending out letters to those individuals to participate and the website. The next phase of the project is to begin the manual and implementation plans.
- ***Public Information and Warning Strategic Plan (UASI)***

The Bay Area UASI identified this project in 2009 and it was intended to precede the Regional Public Outreach and Community Preparedness Project Plan which are two of the projects listed above. This project had several aspects to it including the completion of a multi-discipline, multi-hazard capabilities assessment, evaluation and gap analysis of the Bay area's Public Information and Warning (PI&W) capabilities and systems in order to develop a regional PI&W Strategic Plan. Also included was the development of customized messages based on the Bay Area's most common and highest risk hazards and the development of model MOU templates.

The project had its initial kick-off meeting on March 16, 2012 with stakeholders throughout the region at the local, state and federal level. Regional Capabilities Assessment workshops are scheduled for April 3rd and 4th, 2012 and will include follow-up phone calls to those Operational Areas that are under-represented.

This project is scheduled for completion by the end of June 2012.



Budget or Fiscal Impact:

None

Action Requested of the UASI Approval Authority:

None

Attachments

None