



# Iowa Homeland Security

*A State that is Safe, Secure and Sustainable*

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# The Iowa Homeland Security Strategy

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- Foster stronger relationships and better understanding between federal, state, and local government and the private sector
- Continuity of Government, operations and private sector functions to sustain critical services
- Sharing and dissemination of information and intelligence
- Interact/Cooperate with Border States
- Enhance capabilities and capacities of first responders, first preventers
- Collaborate with the National Guard to support Homeland Security and Homeland Defense
- Protect Health of Iowa Citizens against Chemical, Biological and Radiological attacks
- Enter into private sector partnerships
- Engage Volunteer Organizations and Citizens



# Strategy – Goals (continued)

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- Educational institutions develop homeland security strategies
- Address Iowa's special needs population requirements
- Procedures/Technologies in place for information security
- Address public information needs
- Build upon Communication and Warning Systems-address interoperability
- Identify and prioritize Homeland Security Funding
- Integrate state prevention and response system
- Sustain operation and planning for a changing environment
- Protect Critical Infrastructure
- Maximize technology
- Confront Agro-terrorism



# Misc. Grant

Dept. of Agriculture and Land Stewardship

- \$622,166 (over two years)
- Management of foreign animal diseases
- Surveillance and protection

CDC & DIA: Food Security Workgroup

- \$1,000,000
- Provide planning support/ security guidance to Iowa food industry

CDC & DNR: Water Security Work Group

- \$350,000
- Provide planning support/ security guidance to Iowa water treatment systems

USDA: Rapidly Deployable Emergency Communications System (IA Burst Alert)

- \$60,000
- Install Agriculture Community Emergency Notification System

# Misc. Grant (continued)



<p>Bureau of Justice Assistance: Direct Appropriation to Community Colleges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•\$2.5 Million</li> <li>•Create regional terrorism training academy – IA Central</li> <li>•Develop search engine to search by topic - Kirkwood</li> </ul>	<p>EPA: Chemical Emergency Preparedness and Prevention Grant</p> <p>\$9,000</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Development, marketing and use of GIS service</li> <li>•Develop web site to aid planners with mapping requirements of local plans</li> </ul>
<p>CDC: Bio-terrorism – Agro-Terrorism</p> <p>12.6 Million</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Funds for bio-terrorism preparedness (DPH Lead)</li> <li>• +Million (Board of Regents)</li> </ul>	<p>HRSA Funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•\$5.4 Million</li> <li>•Provides money for planning, training, exercises and equipment for hospitals and EMS</li> </ul>

# Homeland Security First Responder Grants

80% pass through requirements

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- FY '99,'00,'01 - \$2.4 Million (spent)
- FY '02 - \$4.3 Million (spent)
- FY '03 (I & II) - \$23 Million (in process)
- FY '04 "allocated" \$30 Million (waiting on approval)



# The Process Discussion

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# First Responder Advisory Committee

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- Iowa Hospital Association
- Iowa Association of Counties
- Iowa League of Cities
- Iowa Sheriff's/Deputies Association
- Iowa Police Executive Forum
- Iowa State Police Association
- Iowa Association of Chiefs of Police/Peace Officers
- Iowa Emergency Management Association
- Iowa Association of Professional Fire Chiefs
- Iowa Fire Chiefs Association
- Iowa Fireman's Association
- Iowa Professional Firefighters
- Iowa Emergency Medical Association
- Iowa Hazardous Materials Task Force
- Iowa Chapter of the American Public Works Association
- Iowa Public Health Association
- Iowa Association of Local Public Health Agencies
- Iowa Chapter of Association of Public Safety Communications Officials
- Iowa State University Extension





# Challenges

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- Focus on statewide systems rather than individual jurisdictions
- Understanding the threat and articulating the priorities to address the threat
- Maintaining focus on homeland security priorities
- Resource shortfall ( funding for people)
- Federal grant administration requirements burdensome
- Ensuring all stakeholders are involved - at all levels
- Funding will decline - Long term sustainment



# Benefits/Results

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- Emergency Preparedness Improvements
  - Planning
  - Training
  - Exercise
  - Equipment
- Information Sharing Processes Improved
- Collaboration/Networks – within government & private sector
- Improved Situational Awareness