



# 2023 National Homeland Security Association Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601 Conference Agenda



## Schedule at a Glance

### Monday, July 24

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

### Tuesday, July 25

- 0800-1700: Registration open
- 0900-1045: Opening Ceremonies and Remarks
- 1100-1200: Session 1
- 1215-1315: Lunch provided/Award Ceremony
- 1330-1430: Session 2
- 1445-1545: Session 3
- 1600-1700: Session 4
- 1730-1930: Exhibitor Social

### Wednesday, July 26

- 0700-1700: Registration open
- 0830-1030: General Session Cybersecurity and Protecting Critical Infrastructure
- 1000-1700: Exhibition Hall open
- 1045-1145: Session 5
- 1200-1300: Lunch provided
- 1200-1500: Chicago Equipment Display
- 1315-1430: Chicago Urban Area Demonstration
- 1445-1545: Session 6
- 1600-1700: Session 7
- 1800-2200: Host Social at the Navy Pier

### Thursday, July 27

- 0800-1100: Registration open
- 0900-1045: In-depth Discussion – Combating Violent Extremism
- 1045-1100: Closing Ceremony
- 1000-1300: Exhibition Hall open
- 1100-1200: “Best of Show” presentations
- 1215-1315: Lunch provided
- 1315-1330: Closing Ceremony



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



**Thank you to our Sponsors!**



**Building a better  
working world**

**JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

**CHICAGO, IL**  
DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 2

**#NHSC2023**



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



Time	Event	ROOM
<b>MONDAY, JULY 24, 2023</b>		
0700 – 1700	<b>Registration Open</b>	TBD
0745 – 1415	<b>TOUR 1: United States Federal Government, Department of Energy, Argonne National Laboratory, Darien, IL</b> <i>Maximum Attendees: 50. Note: NO Firearms or weapons will be allowed onto Federal Government property regardless of law enforcement title. Argonne National Laboratory is ADA accessible but the bus to and from is not. Details on page 15</i>	HYATT REGENCY MAIN ENTRANCE
0800 – 1300	<b>WORKSHOP - Senior Officials Workshop for All-Hazards Preparedness (MGT-312)</b> – Texas A&M Engineering (TEEX); instructed by Barry Graham and Don Ogden. Details on page 25-26	7
0800 – 1200	<b>SEMINAR – Disaster Recovery: A Strategic Overview of the Public Assistance Process (MGT-481)</b> – Texas A&M Engineering (TEEX) Details on page 26-27	1
0800 – 1200	<b>TRAINING &amp; TESTING – AEM/CEM Certification Preparatory Course</b> (Registration for this class is with IAEM directly, not NHSA; register at: <b>TBD</b> Details on page 27	2
0800 – 1200	<b>TRAINING – Prevention of Bombing Incidents</b> - New Mexico Tech. Details on page 27	3
0845 – 1015	<b>TRAINING – History of Terrorism</b> - New Mexico Tech. Details on page 27	4
0900 – 0945	<b>TOUR 2D – City of Chicago Critical Infrastructure Boat Tour aboard the Chicago Fire Department Air-Sea Rescue Marine Unit Engine 2 along Chicago River</b> <i>Maximum Attendees: 20. Notes: This tour is not ADA compliant due to the design of Engine 2's deck. All attendees are encouraged to wear close-toed shoes. Since Engine Co. 2 is the cities frontline Fire Boat, it will remain in full service during all tours, if The Chicago Fire Department receives a water incident response, all attendees will be dropped off at the nearest safe location if possible before proceeding on the call. Attendees should expect this as a possibility on all tours. Details on page 16-17</i>	CHICAGO RIVERWALK PATH AT COLUMBUS AVE BRIDGE AND THE RIVER
0900 – 1100	<b>TOUR 7 – City of Chicago, Department of Water Management: Jardine Water Purification Plant</b> <i>Maximum Attendees: 30. Notes: Background checks will be conducted on <u>ALL</u> registered tour attendees. Photos or video will <b>NOT</b> be allowed during the tour. Details on page 22 This tour opens only after tours 2A, 2B and 2C have met capacity</i>	TBD
0900 – 1200	<b>WORKSHOP – Applying a Continuous Improvement Approach to COVID-19 Operations, How to Institutionalize Learning</b> – with Melanie Bartis, Deputy Coordinator, Harris County (TX) Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management; Clint Osborn, Deputy Director and Chief of Operations, District of Columbia Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency; Jared Woody, State Exercise Officer, Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management; Lee Zelewicz, Continuous Improvement Technical Assistance Program Lead, Continuous Improvement Program (CIP), FEMA; Sean Dugdale, national Integration Section Chief (A), CIP, FEMA; and Michael Icardi, Branch Chief, CIP, FEMA. Details on page 28	6
0900 – 1200	<b>BUSINESS MEETING – UASI POC Annual Meeting (UASI POCs only)</b> Details on page 28	5

**JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

**CHICAGO, IL**  
DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 3

**#NHSC2023**



## 2023 National Homeland Security Association

Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601

### Conference Agenda



0930 – 1330	<b>TOUR 6A – Chicago Union Station Safety and Security Tour</b> <i>Maximum Attendees: 25. Notes: The facility is accessible but some portions of the tour may have limited ADA accessibility. Each tour expected to last one hour. Note: Meeting location is inside Union Station at the Burlington Room, which is within the Great Hall, northwest corner of Union Station. Details on page 21</i>	BURLINGTON ROOM
1030 – 1200	<b>TRAINING – Law Enforcement (LE) Use of Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) Detection Technology</b> - New Mexico Tech. Details on page 28	4
1100 – 1145	<b>TOUR 2A – City of Chicago Critical Infrastructure Boat Tour</b> <i>aboard the Chicago Fire Department Air-Sea Rescue Marine Unit Engine 2 along Chicago River</i> <i>Maximum Attendees: 20. Notes: This tour is not ADA compliant due to the design of Engine 2's deck. All attendees are encouraged to wear close-toed shoes. Since Engine Co. 2 is the cities frontline Fire Boat, it will remain in full service during all tours, if The Chicago Fire Department receives a water incident response, all attendees will be dropped off at the nearest safe location if possible before proceeding on the call. Attendees should expect this as a possibility on all tours. Details on page 16-17</i>	CHICAGO RIVERWALK PATH AT COLUMBUS AVE BRIDGE AND THE RIVER
1100 – 1200	<b>TOUR 9 – Navy Pier Tour</b> <i>Maximum Attendees: 30. Details on page 24</i>	TBD
1200 – 1300	<b>Lunch on your own</b>	
<b>NEW</b> 1200 – 1300	<b>LUNCH AND LEARN – PANEL DISCUSSION: “Developing an Ops Centers for Effective Intelligence Sharing”</b> , with Dustin Bilthouse, Haivison; Kristen Ziman, Chief of Police (Ret), City of Aurora, IL; Darin Hull, Captain, Cobb County, GA PD; Sean Arthur, Lieutenant (ret.), Collier County Sheriff's Office, FL; and John Watson, Captain (ret.), West Lafayette, IN PD. Lunch provided by AVP Channel Partnerships & Business Development, Public Safety. <i>Note: Since <b>lunch is provided</b> based on the number of those registered, please be courteous and <b>don't be a “no show”</b>. Maximum Attendees: 100. Details on page 28-29</i>	GRAND HALL J
1200 – 1330	<b>TOUR 8A – Wendella Lake Michigan and Chicago River Architecture Tour Cruise</b> <i>Maximum Attendees: 150. Notes: ADA Access: Yes, from the dock to boarding the vessel, but due to USCG regulations our construction on the vessel isn't 100% ADA. A lift is available. Cash Bar will be available on-board. Details on page 23</i>	BOARD AT RUSH ST. & KINZIE ST
1230 – 1330	<b>TOUR 5A – A Walk in The Park, Guided by Millennium Park Security, Titan Security</b> <i>Maximum Attendees: 20 Notes: The tour is 100% ADA compliant Details on page 20</i>	HYATT REGENCY MAIN ENTRANCE
1230 – 1640	<b>TOUR 4 – Cook County Department of Emergency Management and Regional Security (DEMRS), Oak Forest, IL</b> <i>Maximum Attendees: 50. Notes: The facility is ADA accessible. Advance notice is required to arrange appropriate transportation. Cook County government has advised that only employees of government agencies, academic institutions, and non-profits be allowed on this tour. Background checks will be conducted on attendees and names, DOB, and employer or organization name is required by them 14 days in advance for US citizens and 30 days in advance for foreign nationals. ID's will be checked and verified before permission onto the facility grounds. Details on page 19</i>	HYATT REGENCY MAIN ENTRANCE



## 2023 National Homeland Security Association

Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601

### Conference Agenda



1300 – 1345	<b>TOUR 2B – City of Chicago Critical Infrastructure Boat Tour aboard the Chicago Fire Department Air-Sea Rescue Marine Unit Engine 2 along Chicago River</b> <i>Maximum Attendees: 20. Notes: This tour is not ADA compliant due to the design of Engine 2's deck. All attendees are encouraged to wear close-toed shoes. Since Engine Co. 2 is the cities frontline Fire Boat, it will remain in full service during all tours, if The Chicago Fire Department receives a water incident response, all attendees will be dropped off at the nearest safe location if possible before proceeding on the call. Attendees should expect this as a possibility on all tours. Details on page 16-17</i>	CHICAGO RIVERWALK PATH AT COLUMBUS AVE BRIDGE AND THE RIVER
1300 – 1430	<b>TRAINING — Response to Bombing Incidents</b> - New Mexico Tech, Details on page 30	4
<b>NEW</b> 1300 – 1600	<b>WORKSHOP – FEMA Public Assistance: Preparing for COVID-19 Closeout</b> , presented by Gold Sponsor Ernst & Young; Details on page 29	5
1300 – 1600	<b>WORKSHOP – 2023 THIRA/SPR Methodology Update</b> – Hosted by Sharon Frederick (she/her), Branch Chief, Assessments and Analytics, National Preparedness Division  NPAD ONAI NPD. Details on page 29-30	3
1300 – 1700	<b>WORKSHOP - Senior Officials Workshop for All-Hazards Preparedness (MGT-312)</b> – Texas A&M Engineering (TEEX); instructed by Barry Graham and Don Ogden, Details on page 25-26	7
1300 – 1700	<b>SEMINAR – Disaster Recovery: A Strategic Overview of the Public Assistance Process (MGT-481)</b> – Texas A&M Engineering (TEEX), Details on page 26-27	1
1315 – 1545	<b>TOUR 3 Tour of the City of Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communications (OEMC) Center including the 911 Operations Center and the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) Control Center</b> <i>Maximum Attendees: 30. Notes: OEMC is 100% ADA compliant. Since OEMC and the CTA Control Center are secure government facilities, background checks will be conducted on ALL registered tour attendees. Names, DOB, and employer or organization name is required by them 14 days in advance for US citizens and 30 days in advance for foreign nationals. Details on page 18</i>	HYATT REGENCY MAIN ENTRANCE
<b>NEW</b> 1330 – 1430	<b>PRESENTATION – Active Threat Response - The Importance of Effective Unified Command and Rapid Deployment of Rescue Task Force (RTF) Crews</b> , presented by Michael Flaherty, Deputy Chief of Medical Operations – Arlington (Texas) Fire Department, Details on page 30	6
1400 – 1530	<b>WORKSHOP – What PIOs Need to Know About Misinformation During an Emergency response</b> presented by The Chicago Office of Emergency Management and crisis simulation and social media consultants, and Social Simulator, Details on page 30	8
1400 – 1600	<b>TESTING – IAEM AEM/CEM Exam</b>	2
1430 – 1530	<b>TOUR 5B – A Walk in The Park, Guided by Millennium Park Security, Titan Security</b> <i>Maximum Attendees: 20 Notes: The tour is 100% ADA compliant Details on page 20</i>	HYATT REGENCY MAIN ENTRANCE





## 2023 National Homeland Security Association

Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601

### Conference Agenda



1445 – 1615	<b>CASE STUDY – Jason Muzzicato</b> - New Mexico Tech. This study examines the case of Jason Muzzicato, who used an Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) or drone to harass his ex-girlfriend, her relatives, and the community. Details on page 31	4
1500 – 1545	<b>TOUR 2C – City of Chicago Critical Infrastructure Boat Tour</b> aboard the <b>Chicago Fire Department Air-Sea Rescue Marine Unit Engine 2</b> along <b>Chicago River</b> <i>Maximum Attendees: 20. Notes: This tour is not ADA compliant due to the design of Engine 2's deck. All attendees are encouraged to wear close-toed shoes. Since Engine Co. 2 is the cities frontline Fire Boat, it will remain in full service during all tours, if The Chicago Fire Department receives a water incident response, all attendees will be dropped off at the nearest safe location if possible before proceeding on the call. Attendees should expect this as a possibility on all tours.</i> Details on page 16-17	CHICAGO RIVERWALK PATH AT COLUMBUS AVE BRIDGE AND THE RIVER
1500 – 1700	<b>BENCHMARKING – Preparedness Grants Meet Up for State Administrative Agencies Representatives</b> , hosted by Robert Evans, Illinois Emergency Management Agency. Details on page 31	6
<b>EXPANDED SESSION</b> 1500 – 1700	<b>SEMINAR – A View of Human Trafficking From Both Sides of the Cell</b> ; Looking at human trafficking from the eyes of the victim, the pimp, the arresting officer and the guards who look away; Alicia Tappan – Human Trafficking Survivor/Leader and Executive Director of The Secret Place, Krista Hoffman – Homeland Security Exercise Program Manager, and Tiffany Parker – Human Trafficking Survivor/Leader and Director of Emergency Management for the University of Texas at Dallas; Details on page 31-32	GRAND HALL J
1900 – 2030	<b>TOUR 8B – Wendella Lake Michigan and Chicago River Architecture Tour Cruise</b> <i>Maximum Attendees: 150. Notes: ADA Access: Yes, from the dock to boarding the vessel, but due to USCG regulations our construction on the vessel isn't 100% ADA. A lift is available. Cash Bar will be available on-board.</i> Details on page 23	BOARD AT RUSH ST. & KINZIE ST.

***Note: Tour numbering based upon when the details of each became available***

The 2023 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 27<sup>th</sup>, 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.*



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



Time	Event	Room
<b>TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2023</b>		
0800 – 1700	<b>Registration Open</b>	
0900 – 0940	<b>Opening Ceremonies</b> Color Guard	
0940 – 0950	<b>Opening Remarks</b> – NHTA President Jonathan Schultz	
0950 – 1020		
1020 – 1030		
1030 – 1045		
1045 – 1100	<b>Break</b>	
1100 – 1200	<b>Session 1:</b> <i>Note – “Italics” indicates they are not a “Best of Show” candidate</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Best Practices and Lessons Learned</b> – Moderator: Krista Ditoro</li><li>• <b>Combating Violent Extremism</b> – Moderator: Larry Kraus</li><li>• <b>Community Preparedness and Resilience</b> – Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn</li><li>• <b>Counterterrorism</b> – Moderator: Jason Stewart</li><li>• <b>Cybersecurity</b> – Moderator: Dawn Thomas</li><li>• <b>Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing</b> – Moderator: Holley Wade</li><li>• <b>Grants and Program Management</b> – Moderators: Lin Bonesteel and Mark Silveira</li><li>• <b>Health Security</b> – Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru</li><li>• <b>Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health</b> – Moderator: Michelle Carnahan</li><li>• <b>Planning (16)</b> – <b>“Strategic Response Theory: Moving Beyond Assumption-Based Planning for Critical Incident Preparedness and Response”</b>, with Charles W. Chapman; Moderator: Jennifer Schaal</li><li>• <b>Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities</b> – Moderator: Jorge Torres</li><li>• <b>Training and Exercise (104)</b> – <b>“Preparing, Not Scaring, K-12 Schools”</b>, with Roy Anderson; Moderator: Sheryl Jardine</li></ul>	



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Sponsored Solution Track - Preparing for a Crisis through Option Based Training</b>, with James Dunleavy, Lieutenant (ret.) Pennsylvania State Police Department. In this presentation we will discuss the importance of training staff to respond during a crisis. Changing the way schools are currently training for a crisis. How to force staff to make decisions during drills and exercises. Discussing what actually occurs during a crisis and what that means for a training curriculum. The importance of a comprehensive safety plan and how that becomes part of a successful preparedness piece.</li></ul>	
1200 – 1215	<b>Break</b>	
1215 – 1315	<b>Lunch (Provided) – Awards Ceremony:</b> <b>Colonel Robert E. Williams Leadership Award Recipient</b>  <b>2023 NHSA Student Scholarship Recipients</b>	
1315 – 1330	<b>Break</b>	
1330 – 1430	<b>Session 2: <i>Note – “Italics” indicates they are not a “Best of Show” candidate</i></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Best Practices and Lessons Learned</b> – Moderator: Krista Ditoro</li><li>• <b>Combating Violent Extremism</b> – Moderator: Larry Kraus</li><li>• <b>Community Preparedness and Resilience</b> – Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn</li><li>• <b>Counterterrorism</b> – Moderator: Jason Stewart</li><li>• <b>Cybersecurity</b> – Moderator: Dawn Thomas</li><li>• <b>Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing</b> – Moderator: Holley Wade</li><li>• <b>Grants and Program Management</b> – Moderators: Lin Bonesteel and Mark Silveira</li><li>• <b>Health Security</b> – Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru</li><li>• <b>Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health</b> – Moderator: Michelle Carnahan</li><li>• <b>Planning</b> – Moderator: Jennifer Schaal</li><li>• <b>Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities</b> – Moderator: Jorge Torres</li><li>• <b>Training and Exercise</b> – Moderator: Sheryl Jardine</li></ul>	





**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Sponsored Solution Track</b></li></ul>	
1430 – 1445	<b>Break</b>	
1445 – 1545	<p><b>Session 3:</b> <i>Note – “Italics” indicates they are not a “Best of Show” candidate</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Best Practices and Lessons Learned</b> – Moderator: Krista Ditoro</li><li>• <b>Combating Violent Extremism</b> – Moderator: Larry Kraus</li><li>• <b>Community Preparedness and Resilience</b> – Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn</li><li>• <b>Counterterrorism</b> – Moderator: Jason Stewart</li><li>• <b>Cybersecurity</b> – Moderator: Dawn Thomas</li><li>• <b>Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing</b> – Moderator: Holley Wade</li><li>• <b>Grants and Program Management</b> – Moderators: Lin Bonesteel and Mark Silveira</li><li>• <b>Health Security</b> – Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru</li><li>• <b>Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health</b> – Moderator: Michelle Carnahan</li><li>• <b>Planning</b> – Moderator: Jennifer Schaal</li><li>• <b>Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities</b> – Moderator: Jorge Torres</li><li>• <b>Training and Exercise</b> – Moderator: Sheryl Jardine</li><li>• <b>Sponsored Solution Track</b></li></ul>	
1545 – 1600	<b>Break</b>	
1600 – 1700	<p><b>Session 4:</b> <i>Note – “Italics” indicates they are not a “Best of Show” candidate</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Best Practices and Lessons Learned</b> – Moderator: Krista Ditoro</li><li>• <b>Combating Violent Extremism</b> – Moderator: Larry Kraus</li><li>• <b>Community Preparedness and Resilience</b> – Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn</li><li>• <b>Counterterrorism</b> – Moderator: Jason Stewart</li><li>• <b>Cybersecurity</b> – Moderator: Dawn Thomas</li></ul>	



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing</b> – Moderator: Holley Wade</li><li>• <b>Grants and Program Management (TH)</b> – “DHS Town Hall Meeting”, with Kerry Thomas (proposed) ; Moderators: Lin Bonesteel and Mark Silveira</li><li>• <b>Health Security</b> – Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru</li><li>• <b>Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health</b> – Moderator: Michelle Carnahan</li><li>• <b>Planning</b> – Moderator: Jennifer Schaal</li><li>• <b>Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities</b> – Moderator: Jorge Torres</li><li>• <b>Training and Exercise</b> – Moderator: Sheryl Jardine</li><li>• <b>Sponsored Solution Track</b></li></ul>	
1730 – 1930	<i>Exhibitor Social</i>	EXHIBIT OR HALL



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



Time	Event	Room
<b>WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2023</b>		
0700 – 1700	<b>Registration Open –</b>	
<b>0830 – 1030</b>	<b>General Session –</b>	
0830 – 0840	Opening Announcements	
0840 – 0905		
0905 – 0930	Deputy Director Nitin Natarajan, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)	
0930 – 0955	Executive Assistant Director Dr. David Mussington, Infrastructure Security at the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)	
0955 – 1025	U.S. Fire Administrator Dr. Lori Moore-Merrell “Fire as a Threat to Homeland Security”	
1025 – 1030	Closing remarks	
	<i>For details on these topics, turn to page --</i>	
1000 – 1700	<b>Exhibitor Hall Open</b>	
1030 – 1045	<b>Break</b>	
1045 – 1145	<b>Session 5: Note – “Italics” indicates they are not a “Best of Show” candidate</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Best Practices and Lessons Learned</b> – Moderator: Krista Ditoro</li><li>• <b>Combating Violent Extremism</b> – Moderator: Larry Kraus</li><li>• <b>Community Preparedness and Resilience</b> – Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn</li><li>• <b>Counterterrorism</b> – Moderator: Jason Stewart</li><li>• <b>Cybersecurity</b> – Moderator: Dawn Thomas</li><li>• <b>Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing</b> – Moderator: Holley Wade</li><li>• <b>Grants and Program Management</b> – Moderators: Lin Bonesteel and Mark Silveira</li><li>• <b>Health Security</b> – Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru</li><li>• <b>Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health</b> – Moderator: Michelle Carnahan</li><li>• <b>Planning</b> – Moderator: Jennifer Schaal</li><li>• <b>Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities</b> – Moderator: Jorge Torres</li><li>• <b>Training and Exercise</b> – Moderator: Sheryl Jardine</li><li>• <b>Sponsored Solution Track</b></li></ul>	Randolph 2



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



1145 – 1200	<b>Break</b>	
1200 – 1300	<b>Lunch (Provided) Exhibitor Hall</b>	
1300 – 1315	<b>Break – walk to demo area</b>	
1315 – 1430	<b>CHICAGO URBAN AREA DEMONSTRATION and EQUIPMENT DISPLAY</b>	
1430 – 1445	<b>Break – return to conference hall</b>	
1445 - 1545	<p><u><b>Session 6:</b></u> <i>Note – “Italics” indicates they are not a “Best of Show” candidate</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Best Practices and Lessons Learned</b> – Moderator: Krista Ditoro</li><li>• <b>Combating Violent Extremism</b> – Moderator:</li><li>• <b>Community Preparedness and Resilience</b> – Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn</li><li>• <b>Counterterrorism</b> – Moderator: Jason Stewart</li><li>• <b>Cybersecurity</b> – Moderator: Dawn Thomas</li><li>• <b>Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing</b> – Moderator: Holley Wade</li><li>• <b>Grants and Program Management</b> – Moderators: Lin Bonesteel and Mark Silveira</li><li>• <b>Health Security</b> – Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru</li><li>• <b>Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health</b> – Moderator: Michelle Carnahan</li><li>• <b>Planning</b> – Moderator: Jennifer Schaal</li><li>• <b>Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities</b> – Moderator: Jorge Torres</li><li>• <b>Training and Exercise</b> – Moderator: Sheryl Jardine</li><li>• <b>Sponsored Solution Track</b></li></ul>	
1545 – 1600	<b>Break</b>	
	<p><u><b>Session 7:</b></u> <i>Note – “Italics” indicates they are not a “Best of Show” candidate</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Best Practices and Lessons Learned</b> – Moderator: Krista Ditoro</li><li>• <b>Combating Violent Extremism</b> – Moderator:</li><li>• <b>Community Preparedness and Resilience</b> – Moderator: Elizabeth Dunn</li><li>• <b>Counterterrorism</b> – Moderator: Jason Stewart</li></ul>	



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



1600 – 1700	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Cybersecurity</b> – Moderator: Dawn Thomas</li><li>• <b>Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing</b> – Moderator: Holley Wade</li><li>• <b>Grants and Program Management</b> – Moderators: Lin Bonesteel and Mark Silveira</li><li>• <b>Health Security</b> – Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru</li><li>• <b>Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health</b> – Moderator: Michelle Carnahan</li><li>• <b>Planning</b> – Moderator: Jennifer Schaal</li><li>• <b>Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities</b> – Moderator: Jorge Torres</li><li>• <b>Training and Exercise</b> – Moderator: Sheryl Jardine</li><li>• <b>Sponsored Solution Track</b></li></ul>	
1700 – 1800	<b>Break</b>	
1800 – 2200	<b>Host Social</b> – Navy Pier	

Time	Event	Room
<b>THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2023</b>		
0800 – 1100	<b>Registration Open</b> –	
0900 – 1045	<b>In-Depth Discussion – Combating Violent Extremism</b> <b>DHS Keynote on Combating Violent Extremism: Deputy Director Abby Johnson, National Counterterrorism Center</b> <i>(proposed)</i> <b>Highland Park, IL – Independence Day Active Shooter</b> <i>(confirmed)</i> <b>Parents for Peace – Interventions for De-Radicalization – A Behavioral Health Approach (88)</b> <i>(confirmed)</i> <i>For details on these topics, turn to page 35</i>	
1030 – 1045	<b>Closing Ceremony</b> – Thank you Chicago – see you in ??? 2024!	
1000 – 1300	<b>Exhibit Hall Open</b>	
1045 – 1100	<b>Break</b>	



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



1100 – 1200	<b>Session 8:</b> – Highlighting the “Best of Show” presentations (the five presentations that scored the highest) plus a few new presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Best of Show presentation #1 TBD, Moderator: TBD</li><li>• Best of Show presentation #2 TBD, Moderator: TBD</li><li>• Best of Show presentation #3 TBD, Moderator: TBD</li><li>• Best of Show presentation #4 TBD, Moderator: TBD</li><li>• Best of Show presentation #5 TBD, Moderator: TBD</li></ul>	
1200 – 1215	<b>Break</b>	
1215 – 1315	<b>Lunch (Provided) Exhibitor Hall</b>	





## 2023 National Homeland Security Association Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601 Conference Agenda



### **Tour #1: United States Federal Government, Department of Energy, Argonne National Laboratory, Darien, IL**

- Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- Timeline:
  1. 0745hrs-Departure from Hyatt Regency Main Entrance
  2. 0900-1200hrs-Tour of Argonne Laboratory
  3. 1200hrs-Lunch available for purchase on site before returning to the Hyatt Regency
  4. 1300hrs-Departure back to Hyatt Regency Chicago
- Maximum Attendees: 50
- Argonne National Laboratory is ADA accessible but the bus to the Argonne National Laboratory is not.
- NO Firearms or weapons will be allowed onto federal government property regardless of law enforcement title

Transportation will be provided from the front lobby entrance of the Hyatt Regency Hotel at 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago, IL to Argonne National Laboratory. Transportation will leave at 0800hrs sharp. As Argonne National Laboratory is a secured federal government facility, ALL attendees must have a government issued ID for access into the facility.

Argonne National Laboratory is a multidisciplinary science and engineering research center, where talented scientists and engineers work together to answer the biggest questions facing humanity, from how to obtain affordable clean energy to protecting ourselves and our environment. Come and see us in action.



**JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

**CHICAGO, IL**  
DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 15

**#NHSC2023**



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



**TOUR #2: City of Chicago Critical Infrastructure Boat Tour aboard the Chicago Fire Department Air-Sea Rescue Marine Unit Engine 2 along the Chicago River**

- Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- Embarkment from the Chicago Riverwalk Path at Columbus Ave Bridge and the River (Access from staircase at Upper Wacker and Columbus)
- Timeline:
  1. 1100hrs Cruise
  2. 1300hrs Cruise
  3. 1500hrs Cruise
  4. All cruise's will last 45 minutes and will leave sharply at their scheduled departure time.
- Maximum Attendees: 20 per cruise
- This tour is not ADA compliant due to the design of Engine 2's deck. All attendees are encouraged to wear close-toed shoes. Since Engine Co. 2 is the cities frontline Fire Boat, it will remain in full service during all tours, if The Chicago Fire Department receives a water incident response, all attendees will be dropped off at the nearest safe location if possible before proceeding on the call. Attendees should expect this as a possibility on all tours.
- A 4<sup>th</sup> cruise at 0900hrs will be offered by the CFD ONLY if all three (3) above fill up first.

Join the City of Chicago Fire Department Air-Sea Rescue Marine Unit aboard their Fire Boat, the Christopher Wheatley, officially known as Engine 2, as attendees will cruise down the Chicago River identifying the critical infrastructure within the Chicago Downtown Loop that affects day to day life in America's third largest city. Hear firsthand from Chicago Firefighters and Rescue Swimmers and divers about the capabilities of the Marine Unit and their responses to water rescue emergencies year-round.

The Chicago Fire Department Engine Co. 2 is a 2011 Hike Metals 14,000 GPM Fire Boat that is the frontline response apparatus for maritime incidents along the City of Chicago's 26 miles of Lake Michigan coastline and along the Chicago River. Engine Co. 2 is named and dedicated to the life of Chicago Firefighter, Christopher Wheatley who died in the line of duty in August 2010. Engine Co. 2 is staffed full time 24/7/365 with 5 crew members and is an ALS or Advanced Life Support Engine Co. with paramedics on board. Engine 2 also boasts ice-breaking capabilities for wintertime responses and has the ability to navigate tight downtown Chicago bridges with a radio mast that can be lowered while in transit. At 90 feet long, Engine 2 services the city's residents and its visitors safely day in and day out, all year long!



**JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

**CHICAGO, IL**

**#NHSC2023**

DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 16





**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



**Engine 2 - 2011 Hike Metals 14,000 GPM**  
**Christopher Wheatley**



**JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

**CHICAGO, IL**  
DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 17

**#NHSC2023**



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



**TOUR #3: Tour of the City of Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communications (OEMC) Center including the 911 Operations Center and the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) Control Center**

- Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- Timeline:
  1. 1315hrs-Depart Hyatt Regency Main Entrance at 151 E. Wacker Dr.
  2. 1345hrs-Tour of OEMC
  3. 1445hrs-Tour of CTA Control Center
  4. 1500hrs-Return to Hyatt Regency for drop-off
- Maximum Attendees: 30
- OEMC is 100% ADA compliant

*Fine Print:* Since OEMC and the CTA Control Center are secure government facilities, background checks will be conducted on ALL registered tour attendees. Names, DOB, and employer or organization name is required by them 14 days in advance for US citizens and 30 days in advance for foreign nationals.

The City of Chicago's Office of Emergency Management and Communications, or OEMC is the city's PSAP, or Public Safety Answering Point for nearly 3 million residents while also serving as a headquarters for the Emergency Management Team, The Emergency Operations Center (EOC), a 24/7 Operations Center, a Public Works Center known as the City Incident Center (CIC), and more. OEMC also manages all radio frequencies for the Chicago Police and Fire Departments and the City's Public Safety Camera network. From OEMC, call takers and dispatchers can view and access street cameras, LPR's (License Plate Readers), display emergency messages on digital billboards on Chicago's expressways, and activate over 100 city owned and operated Tornado Sirens. The CTA Control Center monitors every inch of rail and route of the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest transit system in the US.





## 2023 National Homeland Security Association Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601 Conference Agenda



### TOUR #4: Cook County Department of Emergency Management and Regional Security (DEMRS), Oak Forest, IL

- Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- Timeline:
  1. 1230hrs-Depart Hyatt Regency Chicago via Charter Bus
  2. 1600hrs-Return to Hyatt Regency Chicago
- Maximum Attendees: 50
- A second tour may be possible if demand is high.
- ADA Access: The facility is accessible. Advance notice is required to arrange appropriate transportation.



*Fine Print:* Cook County government has advised that only employees of government agencies, academic institutions, and non-profits be allowed on this tour. Background checks will be conducted on attendees and names, DOB, and employer or organization name is required by them 14 days in advance for US citizens and 30 days in advance for foreign nationals. ID's will be checked and verified before permission onto the facility grounds.

Disasters – both human-caused and natural – can strike at any time. This tour will provide insight into the Cook County Department of Emergency Management and Regional Security (EMRS) concept of operations and Cook County's Emergency Operations Center (EOC). The tour will explore how Cook County EMRS meets the emergency management needs of 135 municipalities and 30 townships within the nation's second largest County. The EOC, located in Oak Forest and positioned approximately 25 miles from Chicago's central business district, opened in 2015 to serve as the County's central response and coordination center during escalating or evolving events that impact multiple jurisdictions. The facility can host approximately 350 personnel when fully operational. It uses flexible workspace, information-sharing technology and offers training space to serve the needs of public safety, public works and non-profit or private sector partners. In addition to the EOC, the facility is home to the EMRS Emergency Readiness Center with over 1000 deployable assets and dozens of special purpose response vehicles made available as mutual aid resources throughout the County and beyond.





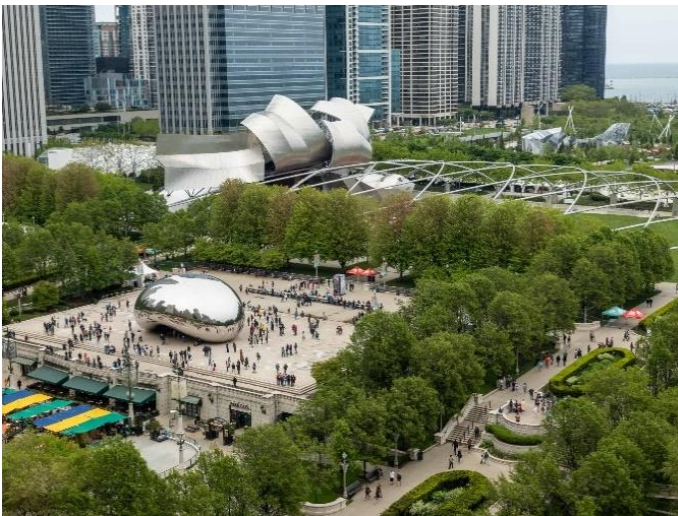


## 2023 National Homeland Security Association Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601 Conference Agenda



### TOUR #5: A Walk in The Park, Guided by Millennium Park Security, Titan Security

- Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- Departure from the lobby of the Hyatt Regency, walking south on Columbus Dr. towards Millennium Park. Each tour is expected to last 60 minutes and the total walking distance is approximately 1.5 miles.
- Timeline:
  1. 1230hrs Tour
  2. 1430hrs Tour
- ADA Access: The tour is 100% ADA compliant
- Maximum Attendees: 20 per tour
- Tom Henkey, Director of Emergency Management for the Titan Security Group, and Marco Ramos, Security Manager of Millennium Park, will be sharing their knowledge and expertise during a walking tour of the Midwest's top tourist destination, Millennium Park. Opened in 2004, the Park receives approximately 25 million visitors each year. The tour will visit the top attractions of the park, including Cloud Gate (The Bean), Crown Fountain, Pritzker Pavilion, and the adjacent Maggie Daley Park. Attendees will learn how the City of Chicago and their private sector partners ensure a safe park environment during both daily operations and special events.



JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

CHICAGO, IL  
DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 20

#NHSC2023





## 2023 National Homeland Security Association Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601 Conference Agenda



### TOUR #6: Chicago Union Station Safety & Security Tour

- Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- Timeline:  
0930hrs-Depart Hyatt Regency Chicago for Chicago Union Station  
1330hrs-Return to Hyatt Regency Chicago
- Tour Start Location is:  
Chicago Union Station  
225 S. Canal Street  
Chicago, IL 60606
- Participants should meet in the Burlington Room which is located within the Great Hall on the NW corner
- Maximum Attendees: 25 per tour
- Tours start at 1030hrs
- Each tour is expected to last approximately 60 minutes
- 2 additional tours will be made available based on demand.
- ADA Access: While the facility accessible, some portions of the tour may have limitations to ADA accessibility.

Chicago Union Station opened in May 1925 after ten years of construction at a cost of \$75 million (\$1 billion in today's dollars). Today it is owned by Amtrak. Chicago Union Station is the nation's 4th-busiest station overall, and the busiest station outside of the Northeast. More than 3 million Amtrak customers and 35 million Metra passengers use the station annually; they utilize over 300 trains per day. That's equal to over 104,000 passengers daily on average.

Amtrak has a national police force, Amtrak Police Department (APD), out of Union Station which is home to 43 uniformed police officers along with 7 K9s (6 bomb and 1 narcotic detection). Across the enterprise APD has more than 450 officers and employees nationwide.

Union Station is currently experiencing a renaissance. Recent projects have restored and re-utilized many spaces surrounding (and including) the historic Great Hall. Current plans call for developing the real estate in and around the station, as well as increasing station capacity, accessibility, and safety to prepare it for the next 100 years.

Attendees will have the opportunity to tour segments of Amtrak operations including exploring an Amtrak trainset, touring the operations command center, K9 demonstration of bomb detection with bomb scents and experience an Amtrak train simulator.



JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

CHICAGO, IL

#NHSC2023

DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 21



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



**TOUR #7: Tour of the City of Chicago, Department of Water Management: Jardine Water Purification Plant**

- Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 0900-1100hrs
- 1000 E. Ohio St. Chicago, IL
- Maximum Attendees: 30
- Background checks will be conducted on ALL registered tour attendees
- Photos or video will NOT be allowed during the tour.



The Chicago Department of Water Management is a secure government critical facility in which all visitors will need to be preregistered and have a photo ID to check into the facility. Also, the City's Office of Emergency Management and Communication (OEMC) will conduct background checks on all registered attendees. Once checked in by on duty Chicago Police Officers, visitors will be escorted to the main entrance/lobby of the Jardine Water Plant. A brief overview of the Chicago Department of Water Management will be given before the tour begins. The tour itself will last approximately one and a half hours. It is advised to wear comfortable flat shoes and casual dress clothes as there is plenty of walking and stairs. An abbreviated tour will be provided for those who may not want or be able to do the full tour. Photos or video will NOT be allowed during the tour.

The Jardine Water Purification Plant pulls water in from Lake Michigan, purifies it and distributes it throughout the entire City of Chicago and over 120 local suburbs. The Jardine Water Purification Plant is one of the most critical pieces of infrastructure for the City of Chicago and surrounding suburbs and is managed by Commissioner Andrea R.H Cheng, PhD, P.E. The water system consists of 2 offshore "Crib" water-intake structures off the coast of Chicago in Lake Michigan, 2 of the largest water plants in the world, 12 pumping stations, 4,300 miles of water mains and 4,450 miles of sewer mains ranging in diameter from 8" to 21'.

The Chicago Department of Water Management supplies water to more than 5.3 million customers or approximately 42% of the population of the State of Illinois distributing an average of 750 million gallons of potable water a day.







## 2023 National Homeland Security Association Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601 Conference Agenda



### Tour #8: Wendella Lake Michigan and Chicago River Architecture Tour Cruise

- Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 1200hrs and 1900hrs
- Boarding Location: Rush Street and, Kinzie St, Chicago, IL 60611
- Maximum Attendees: 150 guests per tour
- Tour Length: 90 minutes
- ADA Access: Yes, from the dock to boarding the vessel, but due to USCG regulations our construction on the vessel isn't 100% ADA. A lift is available.
- Cash Bar will be available on-board.

As Chicago's original architecture boat tour, Wendella has been dedicated to serving Chicago's families, visitors, students, guests, and commuters for over 75 years. Family owned and operated for three generations, our mission is to provide you and your family with a safe, comfortable, and affordable fun day on the waterways. Our experienced staff and expert tour guides, trained by Wendella's in-house Education Department, work hard to ensure that you capture the true essence of Chicago's past, present and future every time you step on board one of our vessels. On board, this 90-minute cruise, riders will experience breathtaking views of Chicago's famous architecture down the Chicago River. Once lakeside, guests can see all the stunning views of Lake Michigan and all the Chicago skyline has to offer.



**JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

**CHICAGO, IL**

**#NHSC2023**

DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 23



## 2023 National Homeland Security Association Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601 Conference Agenda



### Tour #9: Navy Pier

- Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 1100hrs
- Maximum Attendees: 30 guests
- Tour Length: 3 hours
  1. 1030hrs - Departure from Hyatt Regency Main Entrance
  2. 1100 -1200hrs - Tour of Navy Pier
  3. 1200hrs - Lunch available for purchase on site before returning to the Hyatt Regency
  4. 1300hrs - Departure back to Hyatt Regency Chicago
- ADA Access: Navy Pier is ADA accessible but the bus providing transport of the tour will be conducted on, is not.
- Firearms are NOT allowed on Navy Pier *Except for Sworn Law Enforcement Officers*

Navy Pier opened in 1916 as a mixed-use commercial port and recreational facility, but has served as a naval training facility, university campus, and festival venue since then. Today, Navy Pier is one of the top-25 tourist destinations in the world and welcomes 9M+ guests annually. 70+ businesses operate on the Pier and together these employ more than 3,000 people. 24 tour boats embark from Navy Pier and their combined 1.6M annual passengers make it one of the busiest leisure cruise terminals in the world. Navy Pier, Inc. (NPI), the 501(c)(3) nonprofit established in 2011 to revitalize the landmark as an open access facility, secures this ST-CP in accordance with the MTSA of 2002. NPI ensures guest safety through interdependent security strategies like robust and cutting-edge surveillance, high-visibility security and law-enforcement personnel patrols, constant collaboration with external agencies and departments, and various facility-hardening features.



JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

CHICAGO, IL

#NHSC2023

DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 24



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



**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:**

- 4 hours

**Workshop Topics:**

- Roles and responsibilities and preparedness challenges
- Domestic preparedness resources and how to leverage them for your community
- 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](http://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

**JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

**CHICAGO, IL**  
DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 25

**#NHSC2023**





## 2023 National Homeland Security Association Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601 Conference Agenda



- 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 of security

### Class Size:

- Approximately 30 participants

## 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

JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

CHICAGO, IL

#NHSC2023

DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 26





**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



- 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**

**TRAINING & TESTING: AEM/CEM CERTIFICATION PREPARATORY 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 : [TBD](#) to finalize their registration. Registration deadline is TBD. Onsite registration is not available.

**TRAINING: PREVENTION OF BOMBING INCIDENTS New Mexico Tech – 1.5-hour case study**

The Prevention of Bombing Incidents course series provides emergency personnel with knowledge and skills to identify bombing attack interdiction and mitigation opportunities. This course presents information on bombing attack motivations and ideologies, including recent religious and political terrorism trends. Participants discuss and examine the Nine Phases of a Bombing Attack (Identification, Recruitment, Training, Target Selection and Reconnaissance, Procurement of Materials, Construction of Device, Final Preparation, Movement to Target, and Detonation) and the interdiction possibilities associated with each phase. In addition, participants in this course study homemade explosive and Improvised Explosive Device (IED) manufacturing indicators to build their recognition skills intended to bolster interdiction opportunities during the early stages of a bombing attack.

**TRAINING: HISTORY OF TERRORISM New Mexico Tech – 1.5-hour case study**

Terrorism is not a new concept and has been around as early as the first century. Many past terrorist attacks have also included suicide bombing. Learning about the past history of terrorism will provide some insight into how terrorism has progressed since the beginning. High profile terrorists are discussed, along with the execution of methods used, that continues into modern terrorism. This case study will illustrate how terrorism is both of domestic and international concern.



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



**WORKSHOP: APPLYING A CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT APPROACH TO COVID-19 OPERATIONS, HOW TO INSTITUTIONALIZE LEARNING – CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM | NPA | NA&I | NPD | Resilience**

**Summary:**

FEMA's Continuous Improvement Technical Assistance Program is hosting a workshop session with a panel of SLTT partners to discuss the approaches used by emergency management professionals that developed, or are developing, COVID-19 after-action review products. The COVID-19 pandemic will serve as a shared case study for discussing lessons learned throughout the four phases of continuous improvement: Discovery, Validation, Resolution, and Evaluation. Workshop participants will have the opportunity to discuss the methods they used to develop after-action review products, focusing on successes and issues during the process. Key topics will include focused discussions on data collection methods, data analysis methods, obstacles to the development process, where organizations are currently in the continuous improvement process, and broader challenges to continuous improvement activities.

**Learning Objectives:**

- Participants will learn more about the continuous improvement process as described in FEMA's National Continuous Improvement Guidance. Participants will engage in peer-to-peer learning on approaches that worked well for their continuous improvement activities using COVID-19 as a broad, national-level case study.
- Participants will gain tactical knowledge of continuous improvement principles that may apply to their specific work environment.

**Intended Audience:**

- Emergency managers at all levels, as well as those who work with non-governmental (private sector and non-profit) organizations, who engage in continuous improvement activities.

**BUSINESS MEETING - UASI POC ANNUAL MEETING**

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

**TRAINING: LAW ENFORCEMENT (LE) USE OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM (UAS) DETECTION TECHNOLOGY New Mexico Tech – 1.5-hour case study**

This study presents information on the Law Enforcement (LE) use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) detection technology. Participants learn about LE UAS detection programs established across the country and the factors which make them successful and sustainable. These factors include the detection technology utilized, related public relations campaigns (public, media, and court systems), and training. In addition, this study provides insight into several cases where agencies deployed personnel and detection assets to conduct UAS detection and mitigation operations during recent large-scale public events.

**LUNCH AND LEARN – PANEL DISCUSSION: “DEVELOPING AN OPS CENTERS FOR EFFECTIVE INTELLIGENCE SHARING”**

An ever-increasing number of technologies are being implemented across law enforcement departments to increase their level of situational awareness. In doing so departments are faced with the challenge of monitoring multiple disparate systems during active and non-active events alike. Throughout North America law enforcement departments have implemented intelligent operation centers as an overlay that integrates the majority of personnel's applications/resources



## 2023 National Homeland Security Association Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601 Conference Agenda



into one dashboard. Prior to these operation centers, personnel had to log on to multiple websites/interfaces to access necessary information and then toggle between the various applications while conducting searches or accessing hundreds of cameras. This constant transition through varied programs and platforms caused delays in real-time response and also required a large number of active computer screens functioning simultaneously. Through years of experience in the development & deployment of operation centers, Haivision MCS will share best practices that have helped establish success for LEO departments. Our extensive law enforcement network will help round out the panel to provide first-hand accounts on how to succeed in the 21st century.

### Learning Objectives:

- Improving multi-jurisdictional and multi-agency communications
- OODA (Observe Orient Decide Act) Decision Making in Real Time
- Creating the Common Operating Picture from Disparate Resources

### TRAINING: RESPONSE TO BOMBING INCIDENTS New Mexico Tech – 1.5-hour case study

The Response to Bombing Incidents course series provides emergency personnel with the knowledge and skills necessary to respond to criminal and terrorist bombings in the United States. This course presents information on common explosives and their composition, explosive blast effects, Improvised Explosive Device (IEDs) components and recognition, bombing hazards and protective actions, bomb threat assessment and response, unattended items and suspicious item indicators, pre-blast and post-detonation response actions and considerations.

### WORKSHOP – FEMA PUBLIC ASSISTANCE: PREPARING FOR COVID-19 CLOSEOUT, PRESENTED BY GOLD SPONSOR ERNST & YOUNG

One of the longest disaster declaration in FEMA's history is coming to a close on May 11. Three years after the start of the COVID-19 pandemic and billions of federal funds supporting states and localities responding and recovering from the effects of the pandemic, FEMA is entering the closeout phase. This workshop will outline leading practices to prepare for COVID closeout, including responses to common and unusual RFIs from FEMA.

### Learning Objectives:

- Share leading practices on preparing for COVID-19 closeout
- Prepare attendees for potential RFIs they may receive from their received FEMA Public Assistance funds for COVID-19 costs
- Prepare attendees with proactive measures to reduce the impact of RFIs on their organization's operations

### 2023 THIRA/SPR METHODOLOGY UPDATE WORKSHOP

The FEMA National Preparedness Assessment Division will provide a presentation that maps the journey of a community data point throughout the national preparedness system. Facilitators from different FEMA National Preparedness components will identify steps communities can take after they identify their risks and capabilities in the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment and Stakeholder Preparedness Review (THIRA/SPR). During this workshop, attendees will be able to ask questions about the THIRA/SPR process and discuss how grantees can use the results to develop Investment Justifications (IJs) and support other preparedness efforts, including planning, training, and exercises.



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



**PRESENTATION – ACTIVE THREAT RESPONSE – THE IMPORTANCE OF EFFECTIVE UNIFIED COMMAND AND RAPID DEPLOYMENT OF RESCUE TASK FORCE (RTF) CREWS**

This presentation describes the importance of positive collaboration between Police and Fire in Active Threat Response. Stress is placed on the significance of an effective Unified Command team being quickly established. Potential pitfalls of this step being overlooked or inadequately addressed are shared.

The relevance of continued multi-agency training is discussed with focus given to some best practices uncovered by the Arlington Fire and Police Departments. Attention is brought to ‘time’ being a critical factor in Active Threat Response in terms of its relationship to successful outcomes. Examples of common recurring procedural steps that negatively impact a timely response are discussed in detail. Much attention is given to the transition of the Active Threat Response from Police only to Police and Fire. This transition and what its practical application entails is explored to offer insight on best practices. Stress is further placed on each agency knowing their counterparts’ responsibilities as well as their own. This awareness enhances the likelihood of critical sound decision making. Lastly attention is raised to the absolute necessity of rapid Rescue Task Force deployment and how this implementation is central to successful outcomes.

**Intended Audience:**

- Emergency Management
- First Responders: (Fire Rescue, Paramedics, and Law Enforcement)
- with proactive measures to reduce the impact of RFI on their organization’s operations

**Learning Objectives:**

- Understand the importance of effective communication and dissemination of information within Unified Command.
- Understand that Time is the ‘Critical Factor’ in an Active Threat Response.
- Understand the transition of response impetus from Police to Fire and the importance of rapid deployment of Rescue Task Force Crews.

**WORKSHOP: WHAT PIOs NEED TO KNOW ABOUT MISINFORMATION DURING AN EMERGENCY RESPONSE**

**Summary:**

The Chicago Office of Emergency Management and crisis simulation and social media consultants, Social Simulator, will provide a 90 minute, lively and interactive session on managing misinformation during a crisis response. With the rise of social media, misinformation has become an everyday struggle that can quickly and fatally derail a communications response. In this session, participants will learn how to spot misinformation before it takes hold, work with partner agencies to stem the flow, and the key tactics to monitor and manage it proactively. Participants will leave the session with the fundamental tools to understand and manage misinformation in their communications response.

**Learning Objectives:**

- Participants will learn the best practices of utilizing social media to manage misinformation during a crisis
- Participants will learn to identify the various types of misinformation
- Participants will increase their knowledge of social media communications during a crisis

**Targeted Audience:**

- Homeland security and emergency management planners and practitioners
- Public agency communicators
- Social media managers
- Private sector communicators



## 2023 National Homeland Security Association Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601 Conference Agenda



### **CASE STUDY: JASON MUZZICATO New Mexico Tech – 1.5-hour case study**

This study examines the case of Jason Muzzicato, who used an Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) or drone to harass his ex-girlfriend, her relatives, and the community. Muzzicato's crimes were the first of their kind on record and caused the local police department to request assistance from multiple agencies - including the FBI, Bethlehem, PA Fire Department, and the DOJ, among others. Participants are presented with information on the methods law enforcement used to discover the UAS operator and the laws and agencies which coordinated searches and the prosecution of the Muzzicato's crimes. In addition, this study provides information on the use of UAS to discover essential evidence that helped break the case.

### **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.

#### **Objectives:**

- Meet fellow colleagues through ought the states and territories who administer FEMA Preparedness Grants at State Administrative Agencies.
- Discuss issues and best practices by other states and territories for administering FEMA Preparedness Grants across programs.
- Develop a working group among states and territories colleagues in order to assist new SAA employees in the future, and facilitate further discussion related to how SAA's administer FEMA Preparedness Grants programs.

### **SEMINAR: A VIEW ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING FROM BOTH SIDES OF THE CELL**

#### **Summary:**

This presentation will take you through the entire process of human trafficking from the early stages of grooming and the ties to domestic violence, through incarceration and extremism, to rehabilitation and trauma informed care. Our subject matter experts have backgrounds in counterterrorism, anti-human trafficking and homeland security.

#### **Takeaways:**

- How to recognize human trafficking in US prisons, jails and juvenile corrections
- How to handle the trafficker vs the victim while incarcerated
- Trauma informed care for both the victim and the arresting officers
- Online grooming and recruitment for both children and adults

#### **Outline:**

**JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

**CHICAGO, IL**

**#NHSC2023**

DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 31



## 2023 National Homeland Security Association Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601 Conference Agenda



- Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC)
  - Online grooming
  - Child grooming
  - Labor grooming
- Male side
  - Male runaways - what drives them from home
  - Trans kids
  - Adult prisons, who is being targeted in there
  - Transition to the offenders and what they're made up of (Arian, etc.)
  - Financial piece of extremists inside and outside of the prison
- Female side
  - Generation piece, cyclical behavior
  - Trauma informed care for inmates
- Law enforcement
  - What are you looking for and how to address it
  - Trauma informed care for law enforcement
  - What if I am wrong?
  - Federal resources
  - Toolkits





**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



**TUESDAY'S OPENING CEREMONIES**

**TUESDAY'S AWARD CEREMONY**

**JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

**CHICAGO, IL**  
DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 33

**#NHSC2023**



## 2023 National Homeland Security Association Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601 Conference Agenda



### WEDNESDAY'S GENERAL SESSION – PROTECTING CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

#### Host Social at the Navy Pier –

- Entertainment,
- Food and bar, *plus*
- World-class fireworks display from the best vantagepoint in Chicago!



JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

CHICAGO, IL  
DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 34

#NHSC2023



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



**THURSDAY'S IN-DEPTH DISCUSSION – COMBATING VIOLENT EXTREMISM**

**DHS KEYNOTE ON COMBATING VIOLENT EXTREMISM (*proposed*) – details to follow**

**HIGHLAND PARK, IL – INDEPENDENCE DAY DOMESTIC TERRORISM (*confirmed*) – details to follow**

**PARENTS FOR PEACE - INTERVENTIONS FOR DE-RADICALIZATION - A BEHAVIORAL HEALTH APPROACH, with Emma Jouenne - Director, Programs & Research**

Radicalization into extremism happens when an individual's unaddressed grievances get triggered by an identity crisis, leading them to a need for belonging, purpose and structure. Loved ones surrounding the individual of concern play a central role in prevention of radicalization but often fail to identify signs of radicalization and act upon them. Parents for Peace (P4P) was founded to fill this critical gap. By setting up its non-governmental helpline in 2017, it aimed to serve as a guiding light for anyone concerned about a loved one falling into extremism. Our team of professionals designed interventions divided into five critical phases to both, 1) provide support to family and any other support networks in identifying, limiting and resolving risk factors to extremism and 2) provide direct interventions to individuals on the path to/being radicalized. We have been working with school staff, law enforcement in the pre-criminal phase, and the prison system to consult on this issue. This presentation aims to introduce our methodology for interventions, different case studies, tips for first responders as well as tools for assessment of cases of radicalization.

**Learning Objectives:**

- Understanding how interventions for deradicalization are designed and measured
- The role that different actors (school staff, law enforcement, defenders' and prosecutors' offices, mental health providers, etc.) play in preventing violent extremism
- Understand the radicalization of an individual with case studies and concrete examples



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



**PRESENTATIONS IN WAITING:**

- **Best Practices and Lessons Learned** (33) – “The Local Emergency Manager’s Damage Assessment Toolkit”, with Elliot Reep; Moderator: Krista Ditoro
- **Best Practices and Lessons Learned** (48) – “Best Practices and Lessons Learned for Emergency Management Specialty Teams”, with Todd A. Smith, Brian Peterson, Timothy Smith and **Percy Golden**; Moderator: Krista Ditoro
- **Best Practices and Lessons Learned** (80) – “Local Law Enforcement Agency Role in Removal of Large Radioactive Sources”, with Cathleen Edmonds; Moderator: Krista Ditoro
- **Best Practices and Lessons Learned** (153) – “Equity as the Foundation for the Homeland Security Enterprise”, with Lydia L. Watts; Moderator: Krista Ditoro
- **Best Practices and Lessons Learned** (170) – “Atmospheric Rivers, Bomb Cyclone Storms, and Partnerships for Response”, with Corinne Bartshire, Kim Bowman, David Reid and Michelle Durand; Moderator: Krista Ditoro
- **Best Practices and Lessons Learned** “Asylum Seekers: A Tale of Three Cities (179)”, with **Matthew Doughtie**, Dustin Ridener, Nicole McDermott, and Kaila Lariviere; Moderator: Krista Ditoro
- **Best Practices and Lessons Learned** (182) – “Big Disasters in the Big Apple: Lessons Learned from COVID-19, Isaias, and Ida”, with Jimmy Deats; Moderator: Krista Ditoro
  
- **Combating Violent Extremism** (8) – “Kriegerton - White Supremacy Youth Radicalization”, with Louie Kuntupis; Moderator: Larry Kraus
- **Combating Violent Extremism** (40) – “Radicalization, Mobilization, and the Pathways to Extremist Violence Project”, with Kristy Campbell and Lauren Eason; Moderator: Larry Kraus
- **Combating Violent Extremism** (54) – “Wolves among Sheepdogs: Exploring the Nexus of U.S. First Responders, the Far Right, and the Risk of Radicalization to Violent Extremism”, with Shawn Royall; Moderator: Larry Kraus
- **Combating Violent Extremism** (105) – “Creating Champions for Safety and Preventing Violent Extremism in Our Communities”, with Melanie Pearlman and Jordan Clark; Moderator: Larry Kraus
- **Combating Violent Extremism** (115) – “*Evaluation Considerations When Applying to the Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention (TVTP) Grant Program*”, with John Wilder, Ajmal Aziz, Sara Cook and Sarah Winegar-Budge; Moderator: Larry Kraus
- **Combating Violent Extremism** (124) – “Augmenting Security Through Non-Confrontational Techniques”, with Dan Avondoglio; Moderator: Larry Kraus
- **Combating Violent Extremism** (166) – “Community Resilience in the Aftermath of the 2022 Domestic Terrorist Attack in Buffalo, NY”, with Peter Cichetti ; Moderator: Larry Kraus
  
- **Counterterrorism** (14) – “Looking Back to See Ahead”, with Dr. Kirk Yeager; Moderator: Jason Stewart
- **Counterterrorism** (27) – “Coordinating the Homeland Security System with the Organizational Brain Model”, with Dr. Mustafa Ozguler; Moderator: Jason Stewart

**JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

**CHICAGO, IL**  
DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 36

**#NHSC2023**





## 2023 National Homeland Security Association

Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601

### Conference Agenda



- **Counterterrorism** (57) – “Engaging Businesses, Infrastructure Partners, and Public Gathering Venues to Enhance Public Safety and Combat Terrorism In New York State”, with Daniel Albert and Thomas Utz; Moderator: Jason Stewart
- **Counterterrorism** (85) – “CUAS Detection/Interdiction in an Urban Environment, Best Practices”, with Wilhelm Thomas; Moderator: Jason Stewart
- **Counterterrorism** (125) – “Building Counter-Improvised Explosive Device (C-IED) Capability Through the Office for Bombing Prevention’s Technical Assistance Program”, with Darrin Flick; Moderator: Jason Stewart
- **Counterterrorism** (131) – “Combatting Explosive Threats to our Nation’s Critical Infrastructure”, with Jason Stewart, Sean Haglund, Darrin Flick, and Curtis Tilley; Moderator: Jason Stewart
- **Counterterrorism** (165) – “MA Joint Hazard Incident Response Team: Interagency Collaboration in Homeland Security Initiatives”, with Jeanne Benincasa Thorpe, William Qualls, and David DiGregorio; Moderator: Jason Stewart
- **Cybersecurity** (11) – “Emergency Management ‘s Role in Cybersecurity: How Charlotte-Mecklenburg has utilized a Cybersecurity Planner”, with Chelsea Helton, Robert Graham, and Hannah Brown; Moderator: Dawn Thomas
- **Cybersecurity** (118) – “Engaging with the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)”, with Samuel Duchac, Michael McMasters, and Tony Enriquez; Moderator: Dawn Thomas
- **Cybersecurity** (137) – “Tapping into the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program to Strengthen Your Security Posture”, with Elizabeth ‘Bess’ Mitchell and Kerry Thomas; Moderator: Dawn Thomas
- **Cybersecurity** (139) – “Cybersecurity Threats to Public Safety Drone Programs”, with Adam Monsalve; Moderator: Dawn Thomas
- **Cybersecurity** (141) – “Advanced Persistent Threats to Public Safety Communications”, with Richard Tenney, George Perera, John Hart, and Brian Yoshino; Moderator: Dawn Thomas
- **Cybersecurity** (176) – “K-12 Cybersecurity”, with VJ Rao; Moderator: Dawn Thomas
- **Cybersecurity** (177) – “Unified Cyber Incident Response Amongst Cyber Professionals and Emergency Managers”, with Mikyung Kim-Molina, Kamroonbanu Mohideenbasha, Kim Bowman, and Wendy Wheeler; Moderator: Dawn Thomas
- **Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing** (28) – “Mis/Dis/Mal-Information: What The Research Can Teach Us About How We’re Vulnerable to Vulnerable to MDM and How We Can Protect Against It”, with Dr. Megan K. McBride; Moderator: Holley Wade
- **Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing** (29) – “Reactive to Proactive Intelligence - A debrief of the Fashion Square Mall Riot”, with Dustin Patrick and Tyler Parks; Moderator: Holley Wade
- **Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing** (30) – “Case Study on Racially Motivated Violent Extremism: Preventing Terrorism”, with Christopher Betts; Moderator: Holley Wade
- **Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing** (38) – “The Hostage Taking at Congregation Beth Israel in Colleyville, Texas”, with Wilhelm Thomas; Moderator: Holley Wade
- **Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing** (127) – “Best Practices for Protecting Schools, Through Information Sharing and Collaboration Using an Enterprise Risk Management Platform”, with Matthew Simons, Nathan Byrd, Ryan Zacher, and Douglas Pasley; Moderator: Holley Wade

JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

CHICAGO, IL

#NHSC2023

DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 37



## 2023 National Homeland Security Association

Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601

### Conference Agenda



- **Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing** (138) – “Advanced Community Policing: Partnering with your Community on Fusion Center Missions”, with Bryce Martines; Moderator: Holley Wade
- **Enhancing Information and Intelligence Sharing** (196) – “Mass Transit, First Responders, and Fusion Center Partnerships for Enhancement of Information and Intelligence Sharing”, with Harlow Church, Yuki Cruz, TBD, and Amy Parish; Moderator: Holley Wade
- **Grants and Program Management** (63) – “Best Practices for Documenting Compliance with Build America, Buy America Act”, with Nielsen Leon; Moderators: Lin Bonesteel and Mark Silveira
- **Grants and Program Management** (67) – “Grants Management Technical Assistance”, with Moderators: Lin Bonesteel and Mark Silveira
- **Grants and Program Management** (89) – “Common Concerns and Problems an SAA vs Subrecipient Perspective Colorado’s DHSEM/Tampa, FL UASI”, with Justine Willman, Deirdre Joseph, and TobieLeigh Gallegos; Moderators: Lin Bonesteel and Mark Silveira
- **Grants and Program Management** (95) – “SLCGP, How Kentucky Manages Grants and Subrecipient Applications”, with Phillip Ross; Moderators: Lin Bonesteel and Mark Silveira
- **Grants and Program Management** (130) – “The Evolution of Grant Funding to Meet Emerging Threats: A Data-Driven Look Behind the Numbers”, with Matthew Curran and Nicole Erickson; Moderators: Lin Bonesteel and Mark Silveira
- **Health Security** (41) – “COVID-19 Best Practices and Lessons Learned: Results from an AAR Meta-Analysis”, with Dr. M. Carrie Shelton; Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru
- **Health Security** (53) – “The New York City Pediatric Disaster Coalition Pediatric Intensive-Care Response Team (PIRT)”, with John Jermyn; Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru
- **Health Security** (93) – “In Case of Emergency: a Collaborative Process for Successful Patient Tracking”, with Elisabeth K. Weber, Christopher Shields, Juan Hernandez, and Molly Gabaldo; Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru
- **Health Security** (94) – “The Deadliest Little Bundle: The Specter of Times Past”, with Mitchell R. Moriber; Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru
- **Health Security** (116) – “St Louis UASI Healthcare Response: Lessons Learned and the Future of Healthcare Security”, with Brad Zoref and Kyle Foerst; Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru
- **Health Security** (163) – “Is it Time to Adopt SALT?”, with David Gerstner; Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru
- **Health Security** (192) – “Increasing National Security by Advancing Our Nation’s Medical Surge System During a Large-scale Conflict or Disaster”, with Michelle Kimball; Moderator: Jay Rajyaguru
- **Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health** (12) – “Marjory Stoneman Douglas - Aftermath & BHAP (Officer Wellness)”, with Bradley McKeone, Frank Babinec, Arthur King, and Chris Bator; Moderator: Michelle Carnahan
- **Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health** (56) – “Lessons Learned from Cross Organization Collaboration at the FirstNet Health and Wellness Coalition”, with Anna Courie, Dr. Sara Metz, Jason Biermann, and Michael Varney; Moderator: Michelle Carnahan

JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

CHICAGO, IL

#NHSC2023

DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 38



## 2023 National Homeland Security Association

Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601

### Conference Agenda



- **Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health** (148) – “Harnessing Perspectives in Heart-Brain Research to Drive Performance and Well Being among First Responders”, with Sam McGee, James Miles, and Matt Kenny; Moderator: Michelle Carnahan
- **Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health** (172) – “The Use of Risk Assessment Models to Reduce the Threat of Officer Injury During Response”, with Dr. Brittany Cunningham, Dr. Vincent Bauer, Tom Woodmansee, and Melissa Cummins; Moderator: Michelle Carnahan
- **Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health** (187) – “Team of Advisors – The Social Science of Advice in Homeland Security”, with Ted Berger; Moderator: Michelle Carnahan
- **Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health** (190) – “Multi-Generational Approaches to Homeland Security”, with Beth Windisch; Moderator: Michelle Carnahan
- **Personnel, Policy, and Mental Health** (194) – “A Comprehensive Approach to Suicide Prevention”, with Dr. Heather Wolters; Moderator: Michelle Carnahan
- **Planning** (20) – “Cross-Sector Collaboration: A Community Preparedness Multiplier”, with Tom Henkey and **Matthew Doughtie**; Moderator: Jennifer Schaal
- **Planning** (50) – “Targeted Mass Casualty Incidents: Working Together to Protect Our Community”, with Mindy Earle, Alex Saragusa, and Christopher Alexander; Moderator: Jennifer Schaal
- **Planning** (82) – “Regional Terrorism Response Planning, Coordination, and Collaboration”, with Edward J Meiman III and **Clay Pacheco**; Moderator: Jennifer Schaal
- **Planning** (143) – “Maelstrom: Preparing for the Adaptation of the Information Sharing Environment to Ever-Evolving Threats”, with David Schuld and Michael Satter; Moderator: Jennifer Schaal
- **Planning** (149) – “Connecting Federal, Regional, and Community Emergency Food Planning”, with Carol Chang, Kimberly Zeuli, and **Jeff Gilbert**; Moderator: Jennifer Schaal
- **Planning** (173) – “Leveraging Left and Right of Boom Grant Streams”, with David Rocha, Corinne Bartshire, and William Kahan; Moderator: Jennifer Schaal
- **Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities** (51) – “Preparing for Electric Grid Fragility - A Summit”, with Michael Lambert; Moderator: Jorge Torres
- **Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities** (58) – “Vulnerabilities to Food Security: Impacts on Military Readiness and National Security”, with Deanna C. Milonas; Moderator: Jorge Torres
- **Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities** (103) – “Maritime Safety & Security Program (MSSP) Roadmap: Solving for the Future”, with Matthew Barger; Moderator: Jorge Torres
- **Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities** (134) – “NISAC: Collaborative Research and Development of Operational Tools Developed by CISA to Address Critical Infrastructure Resiliency”, with Dr. Brent Daniel, Meredith Secor, Dr. Jason Reinhardt, and Dr. Xue (Michelle) Li, Wilhelm Thomas; Moderator: Jorge Torres
- **Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities** (142) – “Preventing School Violence: Federal Resources to Protect the K-12 Community”, with Don Hough; Moderator: Jorge Torres

JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> – 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

CHICAGO, IL

#NHSC2023

DRAFT AGENDA 03/29/2023  
PAGE 39



**2023 National Homeland Security Association**  
Hyatt Regency Chicago – 151 E Wacker Dr, Chicago IL 60601  
**Conference Agenda**



- **Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities (155)** – “*Engaging Across the Critical Infrastructure Community to Address National, Cross-Sectoral Critical Infrastructure Risks*”, with Gabriel Hengel, Megan Drohan, Ian Brown, Gwen Hess; Moderator: Jorge Torres
- **Protecting Critical Infrastructure and Communities (198)** – “The World at Our Doorstep: Emergency Management’s Next Meta-Crisis”, with Jorge A. Rodriguez; Moderator: Jorge Torres
- **Training and Exercise (9)** – “Texas Mass Casualty Attack Response Workshop Series: Concept and Lessons Learned”, with Brandon Gentry; Moderator: Sheryl Jardine
- **Training and Exercise (52)** – “Lessons Learned from an OB/Newborn/Neonatal Intensive Care Full-Scale Exercise”, with John Jermyn; Moderator: Sheryl Jardine
- **Training and Exercise (76)** – “Florida Region 4/6 All Hazards Incident Management Team (AHIMT) Full Scale Exercise”, with Andrew R. Fossa, Krista Ditoro, and Clay Pacheco; Moderator: Sheryl Jardine
- **Training and Exercise (133)** – “Using an Empowered Trainer Program to Increase Training Capacity”, with Curtis Tilley; Moderator: Sheryl Jardine
- **Training and Exercise (150)** – “City of Chicago Public Safety Exercises”, with Robert Long; Moderator: Sheryl Jardine
- **Training and Exercise (167)** – “Whole Community Resilience through Curated Stakeholder Engagement”, with Matthew B. Ladniak and Jeannette Tandez Johnson; Moderator: Sheryl Jardine