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2011 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANTS

The State of Colorado announces that it has received \$11,626,214 million in federal assistance from the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) to enhance the state homeland security initiatives and to carry on the administration of homeland security efforts. The Governor's Office of Homeland Security will manage this year's homeland security grant awards to state agencies and communities across Colorado. This represents an approximate 43 percent decrease from 2010 funding levels for these programs. The reduction in grant money comes as a reflection of the U.S. government's attempts to cut spending and find cost savings.

Of the funds awarded, 80% will be distributed to counties and local jurisdictions throughout Colorado, and 20% of the funds will be distributed to state agencies, to support local first responders and homeland security initiatives. The funded projects will improve the state's preparedness for a man-made or natural disaster.

Director of Homeland Security, Larry Trujillo is focused on improving and strengthening our homeland security needs. We are committed to providing our regions the resources they need to enhance Colorado's preparedness. Additionally, a "whole community" approach will bring us to a level of shared security and resilience.

The Governor's Office of Homeland Security guided the process by using risk based funding formulas which mirrors the Federal risk formula. The resulting recommendations for awards for 85 projects were then approved by a Governor's Homeland Security Senior Advisory Committee and by Governor Hickenlooper.

The grant allocations for the State of Colorado included:

Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP): \$11,626,214

State Homeland Security Program (SHSP): \$ 5,489,930

SHSP provides funding to support the implementation of State Homeland Security Strategies to address the identified planning, organization, equipment, training, and exercise needs at the state and local levels to prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism and other catastrophic events. Consistent with the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Act of 2007 (Public Law 110-53) ("hereafter "9/11 Act"), states are required to ensure that at least 25 percent (25%) of SHSP appropriated funds are dedicated towards law enforcement terrorism prevention-oriented planning, organization, training, exercise, and equipment activities, including those activities which support the development of fusion center capabilities.

Denver Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI): \$4,968,954

The UASI Program provides funding to address the unique planning, organization, equipment, training, and exercise needs of high-threat, high-density urban areas, and assists them in building an enhanced and sustainable capacity to prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism. Per the 9/11 Act, states are required to ensure that at least 25 percent (25%) of

UASI appropriated funds are dedicated towards law enforcement terrorism prevention activities. It is projected that the current FY2012 will no longer include Denver as a designated UASI.

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Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS): \$845,079

The MMRS Program provides funding to support the integration of emergency management, health, and medical systems into a coordinated response to mass casualty incidents caused by any hazard. Successful MMRS grantees reduce the consequences of a mass casualty incident during the initial period of a response by having augmented existing local operational response systems before an incident occurs.

Citizens Corp Program (CCP): \$172,251

FY11 CCP funding is being dedicated to the development of a statewide project that will engage communities and stakeholders in defining their disaster preparedness needs and creating an effective path to building societal security and resilience in collaboration with the current UASI READYColorado program.

Denver UASI Nonprofit Security Grant (NSGP): \$150,000

The NSGP provides funding for target hardening activities to protect nonprofit (501)(c)(3) organizations in Federally-designated UASI areas. While this funding is provided specifically to high-risk nonprofit organizations, the program seeks to integrate nonprofit preparedness activities with broader State and local preparedness efforts.

The grant allocations for the State of Colorado by geographic area, the total HSGP awards included:

1) City and County of Denver UASI:	\$3,975,163
2) North Central Region:	\$1,959,553
3) South Central Region:	\$546,112
4) North East Region:	\$442,391
5) North West Region:	\$303,170
6) San Luis Valley Region:	\$203,674
7) South Region:	\$305,198
8) South East Region:	\$209,276
9) South West Region:	\$211,448
10) West Region:	\$211,120
11) State Agencies:	\$1,218,481

Descriptions of the nine all hazards regions and the list of 2011 Colorado Homeland Security projects funded by state agency and region are available on the Governor's Office of Homeland Security website at www.colorado.gov/homelandsecurity under the recent news banner. Contacts for the nine all hazards emergency management regions are also available on this website. Please contact the Governor's Office of Homeland Security at 720-852-6602 if any further information is needed.