# The 2015 NCRIC Annual Report for the Bay Area UASI -



The Northern California Regional Intelligence Center is a multi-jurisdictionally staffed center with many sub-units and disciplines all dedicated to the mission of information sharing and providing analytical support to their partners in both the public and private sectors. It is overseen by Director Mike Sena along with Deputy Directors Daniel Mahoney and Karen Sherwood.

## OUTREACH-(TLOOP)

The NCRIC has ten (10) members assigned from various public safety agencies who are dedicated to providing outreach and training to our partners, as well as reviewing all submitted Suspicious Activity Reports (SAR).

## **UPDATE**

Total Number in our Distribution List:	
Approved Law Enforcement—	13,124
Approved Public Safety Government—	2,418
Approved Private Sector Partners—	916

For Calendar Year 2015

- \* 1024 public safety officers and 124 civilians received formal training at 28 classes
- \* 3564 people trained at 126 briefings
  - Total trained—4,712
- \* 805 Suspicious Activity Reports reviewed for FBI follow-up / 333 were forwarded to FBI

This past year, this team continued to implement the Threat Evaluation Unit (TEU) whereby each member is assigned a Suspicious Activity Report for follow-up investigation/evaluation.

## **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY—CYBER**

The NCRIC had four (4) members assigned to IT & Cyber-related functions.

*UPDATE*—This past year, numerous Cyber presentations were made to attendees at national conferences, such as IACP, ASCIA (Association of State Investigative Agencies), NFCA (National Fusion Center Association) and cyber presentations are being considered for the National Homeland (UASI) 2016 Conference. Outreach was made to various private sector cyber units to for partnership engagement. Additionally, the Cyber-ATIX (Cyber Automated

Threat Information Exchange) program rolled out throughout the State of California with hardware devices placed in Fusion Centers to capture Indicators of Compromise. Also, a NCRIC member is being considered for inclusion on the MS-ISAC (Multi-State—Information Sharing Analysis Center) Executive Board.

## DIGITAL FORENSIC EVIDENCE LABORATORY

The NCRIC has continued with its support for local law enforcement through the creation and staffing of the NCRIC Digital Forensic Evidence Lab (DFEL), which in 2015, handled 140 cases. Senior Analyst Jason Hutchinson completed the certification process for LEEDIR (Large Emergency Event Digital Information Repository), is a Certified Forensic Multimedia Analyst, and has qualified as an expert in the field of digital evidence analysis. Here are some key statistics on the performance of the DFEL:

- 74% of cases have yielded actionable deliverables for our partners
- Arrests have been reported back in 40 cases (we expect that there have been many more arrests that just haven't been reported back to us)
- 66% of cases involve video evidence
- 62% of case types have been either homicide, robbery, or burglary
- DFEL has supported 51 different law enforcement agencies thus far
- San Francisco Police Dept. has brought the most cases for analysis (25), followed by Alameda County SO (16), and CHP (12)

## **RISK MANAGEMENT UNIT**

The NCRIC had four (4) members assigned to the Risk Management Unit, composed of personnel from the San Mateo Sheriff's Office, SF DEM, and SF DA. The RMU's function is to analyze and mitigate threat, risk and vulnerability, as well as providing Special Event, crime, threat, and disaster support and planning.

Activities include, but are not limited to:

- Targeted Vulnerability Assessments (14 completed in 2015)
- Special Events Vulnerability/Threat Assessments
- Special Events Support (22 events supported in 2015)

**UPDATE**— This past year, the RMU provided threat assessments for venues such as AT&T Park's Giants Season, O.Co Stadium's Raider Season and Levi Stadium's 49er Season. Also the Oakland A's, Oakland Raiders Seasons, Oracle Arena's Golden State Warrior Season, as well as various municipality requests.

Special Event Support was conducted for:

- May/June 2015—NBA Golden State Warriors Playoffs and Finals
- June 2015- San Francisco Pride Parade
- July 4, 2015 4<sup>th</sup> of July events in San Francisco
- September 2015- Urban Shield Exercises
- August-December 2015—Levi's Stadium Support—All Events
- October-December 2015—O.Co Stadium Support—specific events.
- December 2015- New Year's Eve San Francisco

The RMU co-authored the Statewide Protective Measures for Enhanced Security" guide, which outlines protective measures

#### PRIVATE SECTOR OUTREACH

There are two (2) members assigned to the Private Sector Outreach Program.

*UPDATE*- During calendar year 2015, the NCRIC Private Sector Program (PSP) added 99 new members, closing the year with a total membership of 916.

During 2015, the Private Sector Program Director Chaired the following subcommittees to further enhance information sharing efforts between fusion center personnel and the private sector:

• The Center for Analytic Excellence -Private Sector Engagement Subcommittee which was established by the National Fusion Center Association (NFCA) to enhance the overall ability of the National Network Fusion Centers to support efforts to secure critical infrastructure by working more effectively with the private sector and the 16 Critical Sector Information Sharing & Analysis Centers (ISAC). This committee involves national participation by Federal, State and local government officials, and is being supported by the Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment (PM-ISE) from the White House.

The NCRIC Private Sector Program Director was a guest lecturer on several occasions at the Naval Postgraduate School International Maritime Security Course.

The Private Sector Outreach Team coordinated the Building Communities of Trust meeting held in San Francisco whereby members of the community (CAIR, ADL, ACLU, etc.) were invited to meet with Federal, State and Local law enforcement in a trust-building and information-sharing environment.

#### ANALYTICAL SUPPORT

There are seventeen (17) members assigned for various analytical disciplines. Those assigned to the Assessment & Monitoring Team (AMT) conduct analysis in both transnational and domestic terrorist organizations. The Vetting & Awareness Team (VAT) conducts analytical support for other law enforcement's request for information, as well as providing analysis of inputted Suspicious Activity Reports. The Priority Crimes Unit provides analysis of those who are released from custody under the provisions of Assembly Bill 109 (AB109).

## HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING AREA (HIDTA)

The Northern California High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (NCHIDTA) is part of the NCRIC and has twenty-two (22) members assigned. The NCHIDTA team members represent the Investigative Support Center (ISC), the Investigative Equipment Program, and the Training Program. The NC HIDTA ISC supports sixteen (16) counter drug task forces in the twelve (12) county area of responsibility, providing analytical case support, deconfliction services, geomapping, information requests and case referrals. The ISC is made up of Intelligence Analysts from the CA National Guard, Drug Enforcement Administration, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the County of San Mateo. The Investigative Equipment Program lends high-tech equipment to counter-drug initiatives and local law enforcement for use in a variety of operations and enforcement activities. In 2015 the Training Program provided *4,594 students* with professional, class room style training. The training is provided to law enforcement officers, analysts, and management level personnel.

**UPDATE-** During 2015, the NCHIDTA support function assisted in the following:

Total narcotic seizures with wholesale street value: \$443,028,262.00

Total non-narcotic assets seized: \$1,338,589.00

Cash assets seized: \$21,044,221.81

Total narcotics and assets seized in 2015: \$465,411,072.81

In 2014, for every \$1 invested in law enforcement initiatives, the NC HIDTA generated an average return on investment (ROI) of \$150.01 in drug seizures and \$5.87 in cash and asset seizures for a total ROI of \$155.88 for drug and assets seized. ROI refers to the ratio of the investigative budget (i.e. funds budgeted for enforcement, intelligence, and information sharing initiatives) to the total combination of cash, wholesale value of drugs, and resale value of other assets seized from traffickers. In the process of investigating Drug Trafficking Organizations (DTOs), the NC HIDTA task forces seize substantial amounts of drugs, cash, and other assets from traffickers. Seizures increase drug costs and slash dealer profits, leaving DTOs with nothing to sell. The ROI

provides clear evidence of the effective and efficient use of ONDCP/HIDTA funds by the NC HIDTA.

## FEDERAL, STATE & LOCAL SUPPORT

The NCRIC has members assigned from the following Federal, State, and Local agencies:

- Federal Agencies represented consist of:
  - Federal Bureau of Investigation
  - o Department of Homeland Security
  - o United States Attorney Office
  - Drug Enforcement Agency
- State Agencies represented consist of:
  - California Department of Justice
  - California Highway Patrol
  - California National Guard
- Local Agencies represented consist of:
  - San Mateo County Sheriff's Office
  - San Francisco Police Department
  - San Francisco Sheriff's Department
  - Marin County Sheriff's Office
  - Contra Costa County Sheriff's Office
  - Alameda County Sheriff's Office
  - o Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office
  - San Jose Police Department

#### PILOT PROJECTS

The NCRIC was involved in several national Pilot Projects, which consisted of:

- The National Mission Cell, which is a joint FBI, DHS, ISE, Fusion Center collaborative project focusing on the sharing and dissemination of actionable CT information. This Pilot concluded in June of 2015. This was Chaired by a NCRIC member.
- The Fusion Center-Cyber Pilot, which is a joint FBI. DHS, ISE, CIS, Fusion Center collaborative project focusing on the analysis and dissemination of cyber threats. This Pilot concluded on April or 2015 and was co-Chaired by a NCRIC member.
- Analysis of Social Media—which is a Fusion Center collaborative project focusing on the identification of best practices in regard to the analysis of information posted on social media. This is an on-going Pilot and Chaired by a NCRIC member. It involves

collaboration with the FBI, DHS, ISE, other Fusion Centers around the US, Johns Hopkins University and other federal agencies.