

To: Bay Area UASI Approval Authority

From: Janell Myhre, UASI Regional Program Manager

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Re: Item 7: UASI Technical Assistance Program Update

Action or Discussion Items:

Discussion

Background:

The UASI Technical Assistance (TA) Program was kicked off at the March 2018 Approval Authority meeting. The program was introduced to city and county leadership in April and to the UASI regional workgroup meetings in May. Also, the Alameda County Emergency Managers Association hosted a TA Program presentation in June.

Discussion:

The TA Program has been well received by Bay Area jurisdictions. In the past five months, the program team has completed five sessions and three are in the planning phase. (see Appx 7A). Program evaluations show high ratings and positive testimonials - the California Emergency Services Association selected the TA Program to be showcased as one of their 2018 conference presentations.

Next Steps:

Feedback from our regional stakeholders has assisted the Management Team to expand the TA program to include the following:

- Program goals involving the areas of cyber resiliency and situational awareness.
- Fiscal best practices regarding grants management.
- An automated access using the WebGrants FY19 proposal submission process

Additional capability building tools for use in the TA program are being developed and the management team will continue to schedule, complete customized coordination, deliver and evaluate TA sessions.

The UASI Management Team looks forward to hearing your feedback on the TA Program. We will come back to you with a program update in Spring 2019.