

# Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships (CP3)

## FY 20 Grant Closeout Programmatic Report

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### Project Overview

#### Key Goals

Prevention of violent extremism acts due to increased awareness, collection and reporting of potential acts of targeted violence and terrorism through training sessions.

#### Objectives

Increased awareness among law enforcement and Philadelphia Police Department private sector partners in the five-county southeastern Pennsylvania region of indicators of targeted violence and terrorism.

Increased collection of information through information and intelligence reports (IIRs), suspicious activity reports and tips/leads on potential acts of violent extremism because of targeted violence and terrorism trainings. The increase will be measured through a comparison of the specified reporting types before and after the completion of all the trainings. Increased collection of information through information and intelligence reports (IIRs), suspicious activity reports and tips/leads on potential acts of violent extremism as a result of targeted violence and terrorism trainings. The increase will be measured through a comparison of the specified reporting types before and after the completion of all the trainings.

The target population is 4,500 Philadelphia Police Department patrol personnel, 160 regional law enforcement personnel and 80 private sector partners. The regional law enforcement and private sector personnel will represent the five-county region within Pennsylvania that is in the DVIC's area of operations. Specifically, this includes Philadelphia, Bucks, Montgomery, Delaware, and Chester counties in southeast Pennsylvania. The private sector personnel are mainly the security components of companies to include financial services, security providers, entertainment, energy, information technology as an example. This training will provide law enforcement and private sector partners an increased awareness of targeted violence and terrorism, the indicators of radicalization to violence, and the reporting process.

#### Activities

The main activities associated with this project are the following:

- Develop a presentation with indicators of targeted violence and terrorism that can be collected and reported to the Philadelphia Police Department Intelligence Bureau.

- Create and produce training brochure that provide for the indicators of terrorism, criminal activity and targeted violence and reporting procedures.
- Conduct training sessions for law enforcement and private sector.
- Collect potential threat information through IIRs and tips/leads.

### **Key Accomplishments and Outcomes**

Developed the curriculum to provide outreach training to law enforcement officers and workshops to law enforcement and the private sector focused on indicators of terrorism, criminal activity, and targeted violence.

Created cards/posters to support the collection of information regarding terrorism, criminal activity and targeted violence that includes specific reporting procedures to the Philadelphia Police Department Intelligence Bureau.

### **Deliverables**

PowerPoint Presentation: Provides training consisting of information related to the intelligence operations within the Philadelphia Police Department, reporting procedures for collection of information, indicators of terrorism, criminal activity and targeted violence and case studies demonstrating radicalization and mobilization to violence process. (DRAFT/ Please do not share outside DHS).

Cards/posters: The cards and posters contain key indicators for reporting of terrorism, criminal activity and targeted violence and procedures to report any information to the fusion center. These are provided to the police officers both on the street and in the district operations room to support reporting and coding procedures. (FINAL)

### **Challenges and Lessons Learned**

A challenge was encountered in developing the appropriate material for the training. Particularly, determining the specific indicators of targeted violence to provide clear guidance to law enforcement personnel to report these instances proved to be difficult. Some of the challenges were that the initial presentation material provided by DHS for the targeted violence piece of this program that was extensive and long for the purposes of this training project. Also, as this was the first year of this program, the training material/topic was still being developed and evolving and a law enforcement specific version was not available. Partly due to the nature of field of targeted terrorism at that time, clear indicators were not readily available.

Another challenge was implementing the training in person. In retrospect, given the evolving nature of world events at the time, the project should have been altered to develop and begin with virtual training. As the situation warranted, transition to in-person training when feasible. Additionally, multiple methods of providing training may have also helped manage the large numbers projected to be trained in the project plan.

**Sustainability**

The training will occur but at a reduced frequency than originally planned.