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## **DHS ANNOUNCES \$30 MILLION IN COMPETITIVE GRANTS TO STRENGTHEN PREPAREDNESS TRAINING**

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announced today \$30 million in Competitive Training Grants. DHS awarded funding to fifteen organizations for training initiatives that further the Department's all hazards mission of preparing the nation to prevent, deter, respond to, and recover from incidents of terrorism and natural disasters.

The training programs developed from the grants will strengthen preparedness training for first responders, public officials and citizens. The new training programs will enhance preparedness in a variety of areas, including intelligence assessments, citizen readiness, transit and port security and mass casualty care.

The recipients completed a rigorous application process for this grant - competing with 267 applicants from a broad spectrum of entities including: national associations, institutions of higher education, private corporations working in conjunction with the nonprofit sector, and nonprofit organizations. The fifteen recipients of these highly competitive grants represent a prestigious group of subject matter experts from across the United States.

“These training programs will raise substantially the ability of our first responders, public officials and citizens to meet the challenges we face as a Nation to prevent, respond and recover from terrorist events and natural disasters,” said Matt A. Mayer, Acting Executive Director of the Office of State and Local Government Coordination and Preparedness.

[\(Attachment A: FY2005 CTGP Recipient List\)](#)

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