WE NEED YOU!

Threat Review and Prioritization Project

The Major County Sheriffs of America (MCSA) is excited to announce our participation in the Threat Review and Prioritization (TRP) project. We have partnered with the Major City Chiefs Association (MCCA) through the Intel Commanders Group (ICG) and with support from the FBI. MCSA is working to establish the first National Threat Picture among our member agencies. The TRP process is meant to provide effective results with minimal agency time and resources since it builds on an agency's existing knowledge and expertise. In 2018, Phase I of the project was completed with 100% participation from the MCCA. The MCSA has just started Phase 2 of the project and we are looking for our member agencies to complete the project.

The MCSA started the project with four pilot agencies: Pasco County (FL), Kern County (CA), Oakland County (MI), and Polk County (FL). The process went well for the pilot agencies. On average it took each agency approximately two hours to complete the TRP. The TRP breaks down 21 crimes/issues and rates them against six categories: law enforcement perception of the threat, public perception, impact on the community, economic impact, impact on law enforcement resources and what is the law enforcement impact on the threat.

MCSA Vice President for Homeland Security, Sheriff Chapman, sent out the request to member offices encouraging participation in the TRP. At the time of publication, twenty-five MCSA agencies have requested the starter package and are completing the initial TRP process.

The TRP enables agencies to identify, prioritize, and address critical threats facing their communities, through an agreed-upon common set of threat issues that are applicable nationwide. This supports agencies in their analysis of threats, allocation of resources, and identification and review of threat mitigation strategies. The pre-defined list of national threat issues was developed by the membership and Steering Committee of the ICG and is comprised of the most pressing threat

issues currently facing law enforcement. The ranking of each threat issue should be done with a team from throughout the agency with an overall understanding of the threats and priorities of the agency.

Because the TRP will be completed by ICG member agencies, the reporting tool will allow agencies to compare their results with other agencies and identify other agencies with a similar threat ranking. Command staff members can then partner with their counterparts in other agencies for best practices and tactics to most effectively address and mitigate the threat.

Finally, wide participation by member agencies to rank the pre-defined list of national threat issues allows the MCCA and MCSA to clearly identify the most pressing priorities facing local law enforcement on a national scale in a National Threat Picture. The MCSA is asking that all member agencies with a road patrol and/or investigations presence complete the TRP. Since the TRP is meant to provide information on the threat picture for cities, villages, and townships directly serviced by your agency, **those without a road patrol and/or investigations presence do not need to complete the TRP.**

Spearheading the project for the MCSA is Lt. Steve Schneider from the Oakland County Sheriff's Office in Michigan. He is available to assist each office's Intel Commander or assigned personnel through the process and get them signed up through the TRP portal. The process should not take longer than a couple of hours. Please have your selected staff email or contact Lt. Schneider at schneiders@oakgov.com or (248) 858-1084 and he will send them a TRP instruction package.

With Major Cities Chiefs having 100% participation from its members, we hope Major County Sheriffs members lend their support and expertise to this project as well.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation with this project.

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