

# 2014 National Capital Region Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA)



# Why Are We Here Today?

- The purpose of this meeting today is to provide a brief overview of the 2014 NCR THIRA's six (6) scenarios.
- Review the 2013 NCR THIRA's impacts, targets, and desired outcomes.
  - 2013 impacts, targets, and desired outcomes were prepared by contractors.
  - The data presented was gathered/generated by the contractors hired to write the 2013 NCR THIRA.
- Discuss role of RESFs
  - The NCR Workgroup would like to update the 2013 impacts, targets, and desired outcomes.

# THIRA FACTS

## **What is it?**

- The THIRA is a tool that allows a jurisdiction to understand its threats and hazards and how the impacts may vary according to time of occurrence, season, location, and other community factors.
- This knowledge helps a jurisdiction establish informed and defensible capability targets (FEMA, 2012).

## **Who is required and Why?**

- FEMA requires all UASI grant recipients to submit a THIRA.
- The THIRA is used to identify the capability targets that a community needs to support a host of activities, such as: capability estimation and required resource planning; mutual aid planning; identifying opportunities to lessen the impact of potential emergencies or disasters; and informing resource allocation within a community.
- The information can be shared with neighboring jurisdictions, and may present opportunities to share best practices or resources (FEMA, 2012).

## **Why are we speaking today?**

- The group tasked with drafting this year's THIRA for the NCR is asking subject-matter experts to review and provide comments on last year's capability targets, desired outcomes, and impacts so that they can be updated for the 2014 edition.
- The THIRA will be used with the strategic planning process in the future to help address emergency management needs in the NOT.

# 2014 NCR THIRA

## 2014 Scenarios

- Pandemic
- Severe Weather Event (Hurricane)
- Metro System Shutdown
- Cyber Attack
- CBRNE
- Terrorism

## 2013 Impacts

- Scenario impacts are broken down by the 31 core capabilities

## 2013 Targets and Desired Outcomes

- Both targets and desired outcomes are broken down by the 31 core capabilities

# Next Steps

- Have RESFs review/validate the impacts, targets, and desired outcomes over the course of the next two (2) months.
  - RESFs should send comments to the NCR Workgroup POC: Ray Shin [rshin@law.umaryland.edu](mailto:rshin@law.umaryland.edu).
- Schedule meeting to review comments from RESFs and present the updated impacts, targets, and desired outcomes.
- Review resource requirements from last year's THIRA with RESFs (Note: this is not identifying capability gaps).
  - This will require scheduling another meeting with the RESFs three (3) to four (4) months from now.

# Questions?

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