

AGENDA NOTE – HRPDC QUARTERLY COMMISSION MEETING

ITEM #3: URBAN AREAS SECURITY INITIATIVE (UASI) FUNDING UPDATE

SUBJECT:

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has released Federal Fiscal Year 2014 Preparedness Grant Allocations. The region has been reinstated as a funded urban area. This year, Hampton Roads will receive \$1 million in Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) funding.

BACKGROUND:

Hampton Roads was designated a high risk urban area eligible to receive UASI funding in fiscal year 2007. Since that time, these funds have been used to address unique planning, organization, equipment, training, and exercise needs of Hampton Roads, and assisted in building an enhanced and sustainable capacity to prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from acts of terrorism.

In fiscal year 2012, the Hampton Roads was removed from the UASI eligibility list and remained ineligible to apply for UASI grants thru fiscal year 2013. However, the region has been reinstated and allocated \$1 million for fiscal year 2015. While these funds will greatly assist preparedness efforts in Hampton Roads, long-term sustainable solutions must be identified to support regional preparedness needs.

Mr. John Sadler, Senior Regional Homeland Security Planner will brief the Commission on the UASI funds available for fiscal year 2015.

Note: this item is for informational purposes only.