

Hampton Roads Planning District Commission

Report of The Hampton Roads Urban Area Working Group

Charter Development Committee

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Agenda Item 4

The Need – Multiple Grants Ending

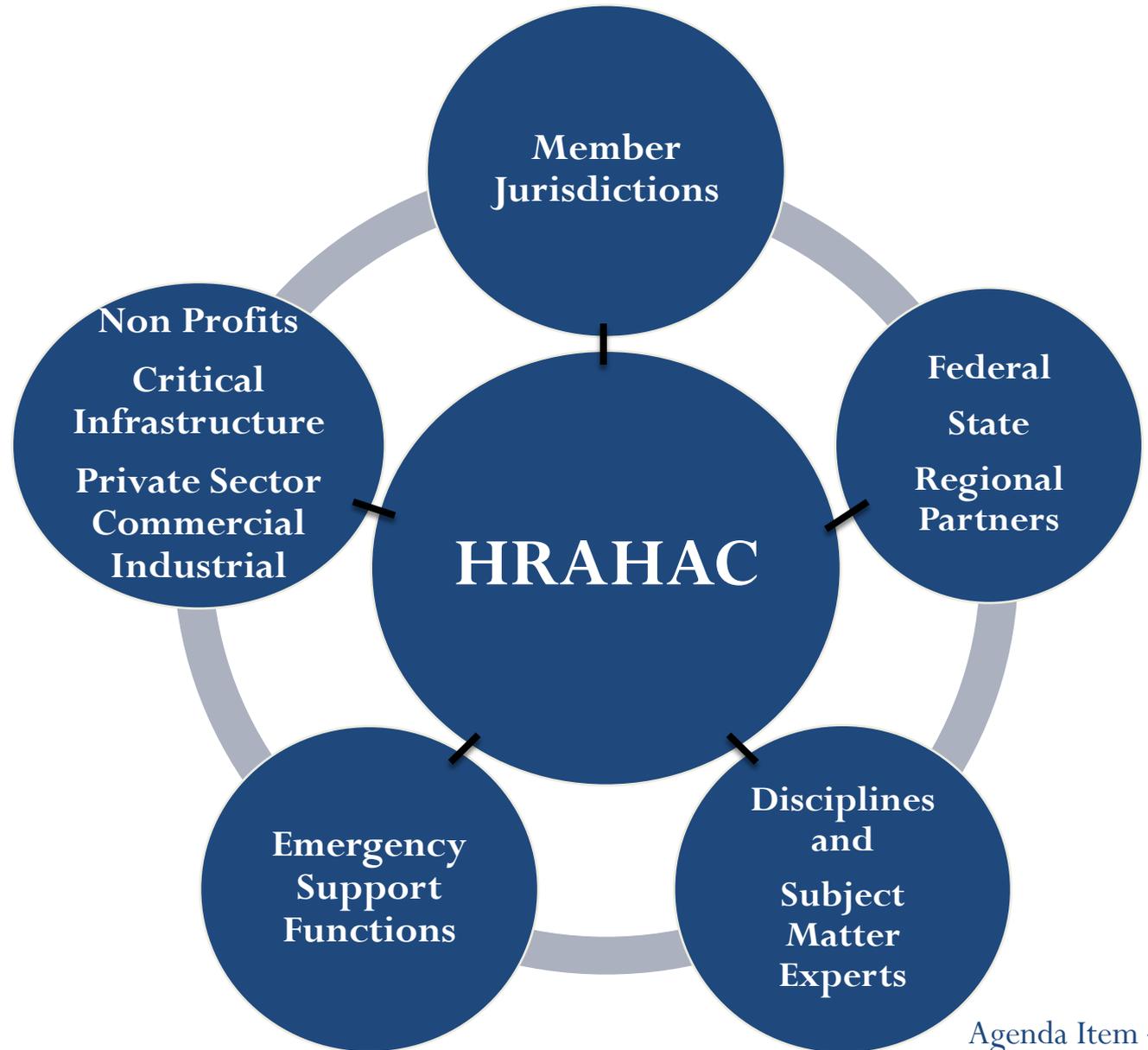
- In June 2014 the HRPDC Executive Committee asked us to return to the Commission with a strategy to consolidate all programs under one Regional Emergency Management Organization.
- Multiple Federally funded, multi-year regional grant programs representing \$80+ million investment are coming to an end.
- By their design – Federal Regional Grants have created multiple Emergency Planning Organizations and Programs that have created an unintended duplication of effort.
- Consolidation of these efforts under one Regional Emergency Management Committee will enhance efficiency and improve program effectiveness.

The Recommendation: Consolidation

- The strategy includes a proposed charter and bylaws creating:
 - **Hampton Roads All Hazards Advisory Committee**
 - A central consolidated regional organization merging:
 - REMTAC HRUAWG HRRCP
 - HRICAC MMRS Oversight Committee
 - A proposed organization scope and purpose that includes
 - Provisions for jurisdiction stakeholder representation and input
 - Demonstrated relationship to FEMA's National Response System and the Commonwealth of Virginia Emergency Operations Plan and
 - Flexibility to respond to changing needs and risks
 - Provisions for the inclusion of outside organizations (for jurisdictions outside the HRPDC and other non-profit and private sector interests)
 - Annual sustainment costs and funding mechanisms

Hampton Roads All Hazards Advisory Committee

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HRAHAC – Costs and Funding

- Annual Organization Sustainment Costs
 - The Committee recommends that consolidation be achieved using existing levels of staff and funding.
- Grant Funded Assets and Programs
 - The inclusion of the Hampton Roads Region as an Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) and the re-establishment of Federal UASI grant funding provides adequate resources to maintain existing programs at least through FY16.
- Future Needs
 - It is recommended that the new HRAHAC conduct a thorough, multidisciplinary review of future sustainment funding needs and that a recommendation be provided to the Commission for consideration should Federal Grant Funds be eliminated – as early as FY17.

HRAHAC - Benefits

- A consolidated Regional Emergency Management organization will:
 - Engage the “Whole of Community” and enhance planning and coordination among Local, State and Federal officials and agencies and all public/private regional stakeholders.
 - Preserve Federal investments
 - Be a conduit for future grants and financial resources
 - Eliminate duplication of effort and enhance efficiency.
 - Enhance response and recovery following disaster events that will build resiliency and benefit all Hampton Roads communities.

Questions and Discussion