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Executive Board of the Legislative Council
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Nebraska Revised Statute 81-830(3)(b) requires the Homeland Security Policy Group to report, by March 1st of each year, to the executive board identifying federal funds sent to the state in support of its preparedness activities and indicating the use of federal funds received by the state for homeland security, including specific amounts allocated to any unit of state or local government and the use to which the unit shall apply the funds.

The State Homeland Security Grant (SHSP) is issued by the US Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and administered at the state level by the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency (NEMA). For fiscal year 2023, investments were made in 11 focus areas. First, DHS/FEMA determined that grant recipients should allocate a total of 30% of their SHSP award funds toward six "national priorities." As indicated below, five of the priorities have minimum spend requirements totaling 15% of SHSP award. Recipients have the flexibility to allocate the remaining 15% across the priorities. The remaining funds were invested in five focus areas identified by NEMA.

DHS/FEMA National Priorities (with minimum spending requirements)

- Enhancing the protection of soft targets/crowded places – 3%
- Enhancing information and intelligence sharing and analysis – 3%
- Combating domestic violent extremism – 3%
- Enhancing community preparedness and resilience – 3%
- Enhancing election security – 3%
- Enhancing cybersecurity – no minimum percent

Additional Focus Areas

- Planning, Exercise, and Training
- Communications
- Law Enforcement and Hazardous Device Teams
- Hazardous Materials Response
- Agriculture

Sub-recipients of the grant include both state agencies and organizations as well the eight planning, exercise, and training regions (PET regions). The PET regions are geographical groups of counties that have entered into inter-local cooperation agreements (made pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute 13-801 through 13-827) to coordinate regional

planning, exercise, and training efforts related to emergency management and homeland security.

Attachments included in this report are as follows:

- 2023 State Homeland Security Grant Allocations Table
- FY2023 SHSP Allocations by Investment Justification
- FY2023 SHSP Allocations by PET Region
- Nebraska PET Regions Map

Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ervin L. Portis". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Ervin L. Portis
Assistant Director
NEMA

Attachments as stated.

2023 Homeland Security Grant Allocations

| Region | LETPP/HDT | Comm | PET - LOCAL | HazMat | National Priorities | | | | | Totals |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--------------|
| | | | | | Enhancing CyberSecurity | Enhancing the Protection of Soft Targets / Crowded Places | Enhancing Community Prep & Resilience | Enhancing Information & Intelligence Sharing | Combating Violent Extremism | |
| East Central | \$15,000.00 | \$375,200.00 | \$12,590.00 | | \$60,000.00 | | \$79,100.00 | | | \$541,890.00 |
| North Central | | \$37,624.00 | \$10,208.00 | | | | \$24,850.00 | | \$29,143.00 | \$101,825.00 |
| Northeast | \$19,082.70 | \$35,000.00 | | | \$18,000.00 | \$35,300.00 | | | \$49,500.00 | \$156,882.70 |
| Panhandle | | \$12,075.00 | | | | \$459,300.00 | \$57,500.00 | | | \$528,875.00 |
| South Central | | | | | | | \$81,900.00 | \$64,500.00 | \$59,000.00 | \$205,400.00 |
| Southeast | | \$32,100.00 | \$44,500.00 | | \$8,000.00 | | \$26,700.00 | | \$12,000.00 | \$123,300.00 |
| Southwest | | \$25,000.00 | \$5,900.00 | | | | \$39,725.00 | | | \$70,625.00 |
| Tri-County | \$171,549.30 | | \$181,595.00 | | | | \$81,614.50 | | \$33,700.00 | \$468,458.80 |
| Lincoln Co - Statewide HazMat Team | | | | \$187,700.00 | | \$105,500.00 | | | | \$293,200.00 |

Total
\$2,490,456.50

Statewide Initiatives

| | |
|--|---------------------|
| Agriculture | \$86,228.00 |
| Nebraska Preparedness Partnership | \$93,000.00 |
| Enhancing Information & Intelligence Sharing (Fusion Center) | \$480,000.00 |
| Statewide Training Team | \$150,000.00 |
| Election Security | \$173,940.00 |
| State Citizen Corp Program | \$54,409.50 |
| Nebraska Regional Interoperability Network | \$411,506.00 |

Total
\$1,449,083.50

Represents 80% Total Award to Local Units of Government \$3,939,540.00

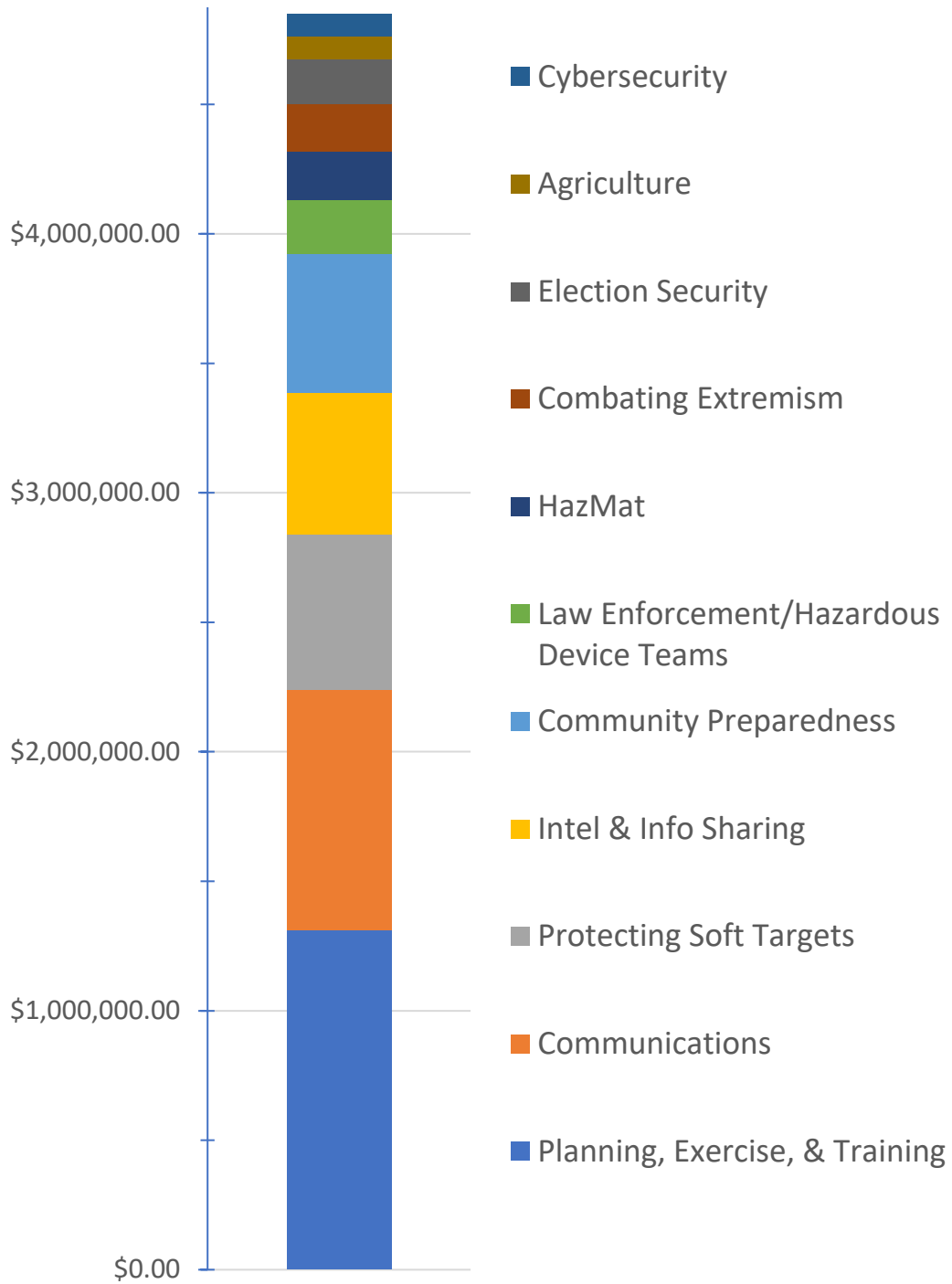
Remaining 20% is retained at the State Level as per Grant guidance \$907,960.00 *

*funding is allocated to PET programming, and Management & Administration of the grant

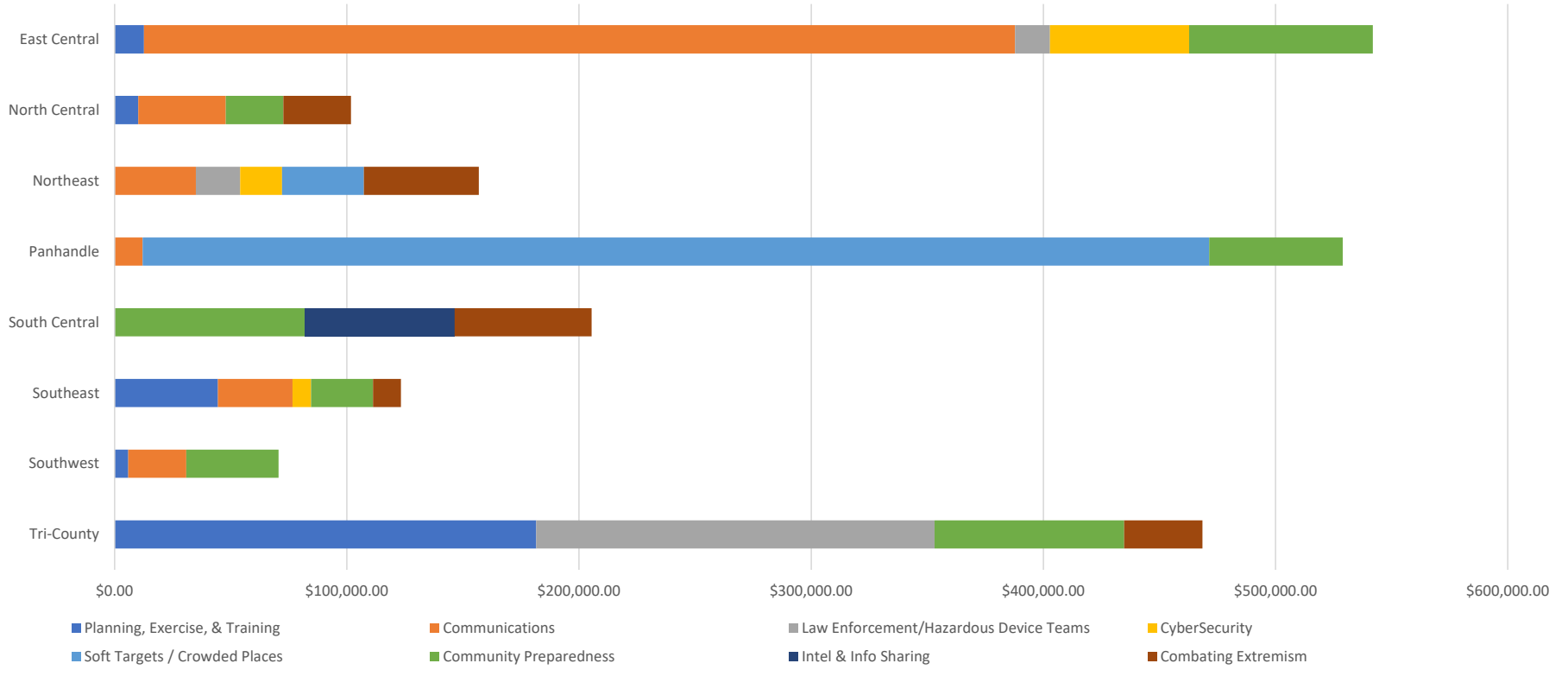
Shading indicates a national priority focus area as determined by DHS/FEMA

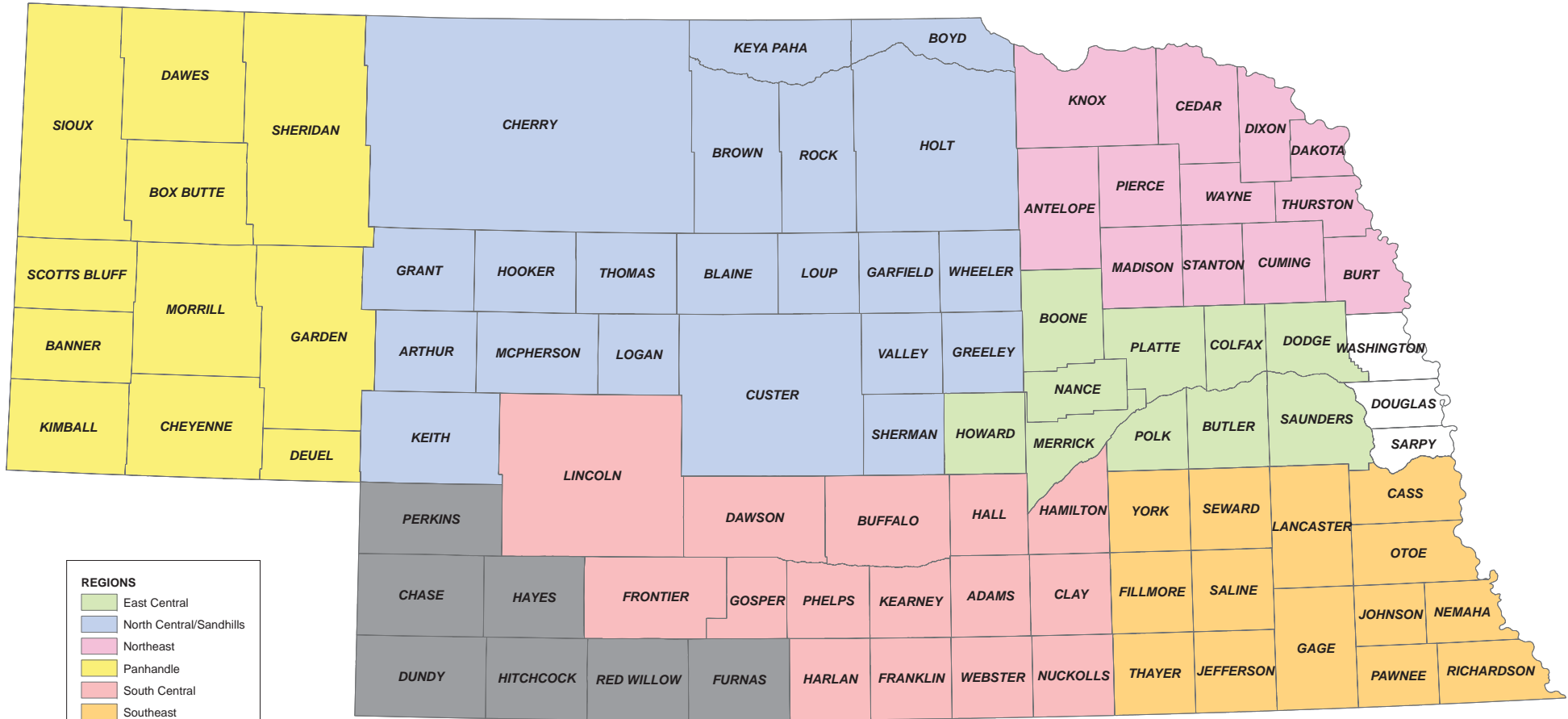
Total Grant Award \$4,847,500.00

FY2023 SHSP Allocations by Investment Justification



FY2023 SHSP Allocations by PET Region





REGIONS

- East Central
- North Central/Sandhills
- Northeast
- Panhandle
- South Central
- Southeast
- Southwest
- Tri-County

Regional PET