

March 1, 2026

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 2025, investments were made in 10 focus areas. First, DHS/FEMA determined that grant recipients should allocate a total of 30% of their SHSP award funds toward five “national priorities.” As indicated below, two of those priorities have a minimum spend requirement. Recipients have the flexibility to allocate the remainder across the priorities. The remaining funds were invested in five additional focus areas identified by NEMA.

DHS/FEMA National Priorities (with minimum spending requirements)

- Enhancing the protection of soft targets/crowded places – no minimum percentage
- Enhancing information and intelligence sharing and analysis – no minimum percentage
- Enhancing cybersecurity – no minimum percentage
- Supporting border crisis response and enforcement – 10%
- Enhancing election security – 3%

Additional Focus Areas

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

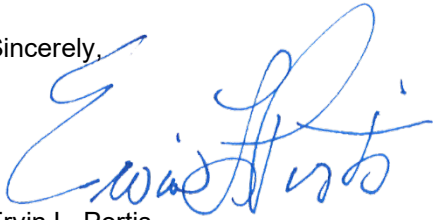
Sub-recipients of the grant include both state agencies and organizations as well the eight planning, exercise, and training regions (PET regions). The PET regions are geographical groups of counties that have entered into inter-local cooperation agreements (made pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute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

- 2025 State Homeland Security Grant Allocations Table
- FY2025 SHSP Allocations by Investment Justification
- FY2025 SHSP Allocations to PET Regions
- 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 fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ervin" being more prominent than the last name "Portis".

Ervin L. Portis
Assistant Director
NEMA

Attachments as stated.

2025 Homeland Security Grant Allocations

Region	Law	Comm	PET	HazMat	Citizen Corps	National Priorities					Totals
						Enhancing CyberSecurity	Enhancing the Protection of Soft Targets / Crowded Places	Enhancing Information & Intelligence Sharing	Enhancing Election Security	Supporting Border Crisis Response & Enforcement	
East Central		\$85,000.00	\$31,250.00		\$3,250.00	\$104,200.00					\$223,700.00
North Central	\$115,045.00	\$38,624.00	\$31,490.00		\$42,692.00						\$227,851.00
Northeast	\$19,500.00	\$19,625.00	\$32,125.00				\$68,000.00				\$139,250.00
Panhandle		\$12,075.00	\$53,000.00		\$23,250.00						\$88,325.00
South Central	\$75,200.00		\$87,900.00		\$20,530.00	\$137,000.00		\$9,000.00			\$329,630.00
Southeast		\$35,200.00	\$143,180.00								\$178,380.00
Southwest		\$33,000.00	\$79,600.00		\$9,100.00		\$32,000.00				\$153,700.00
Tri-County	\$109,234.00		\$36,440.00		\$22,500.00			\$21,700.00			\$189,874.00
Lincoln Co - Statewide HazMat Team				\$274,905.00							\$274,905.00

Total
\$1,805,615.00

Statewide Initiatives

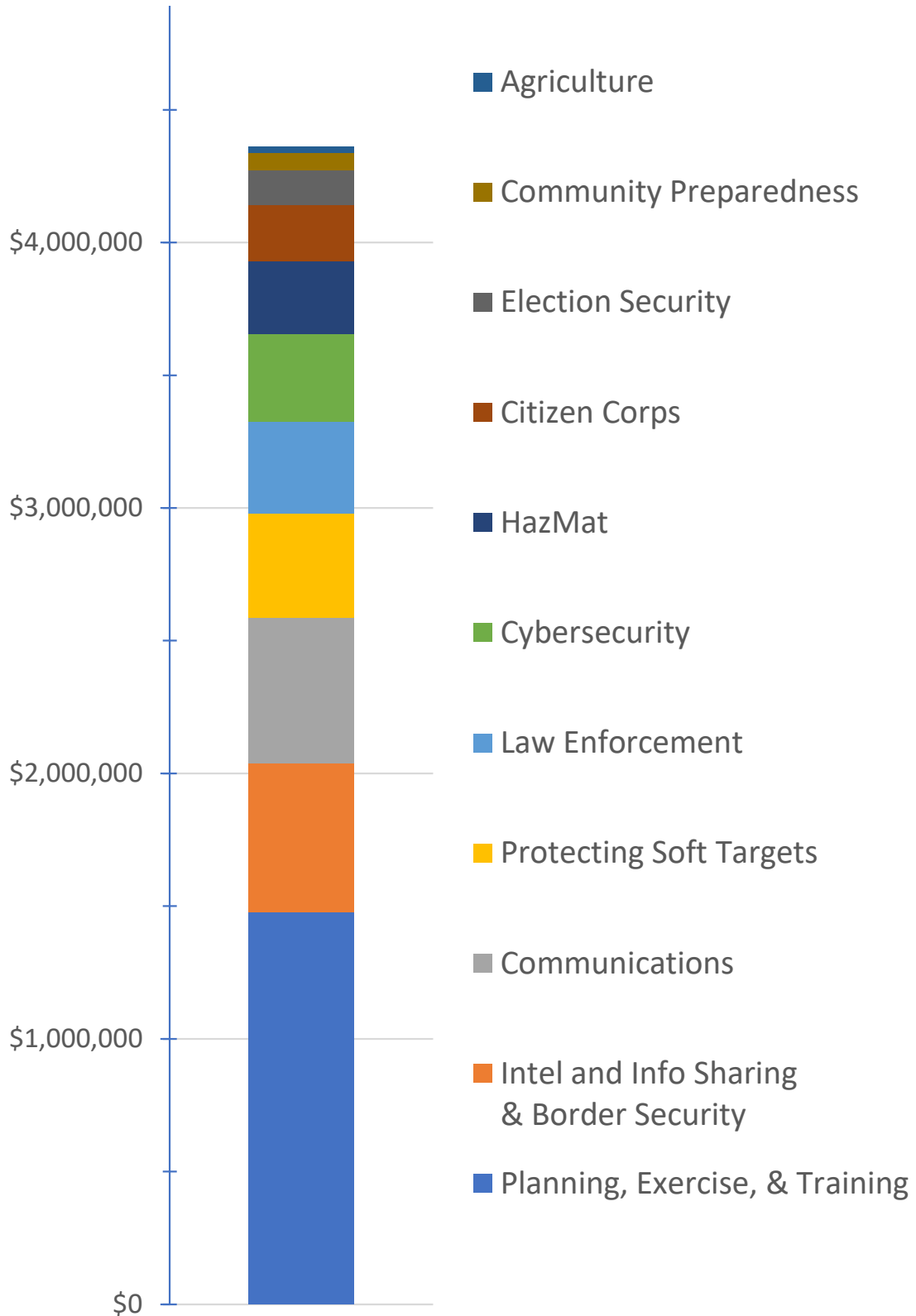
Agriculture	\$24,627.00
Nebraska Preparedness Partnership	\$66,000.00
Enhancing Information & Intelligence Sharing/Supporting Border Crisis Response & Enforcement	\$531,275.00
Enhancing CyberSecurity	\$90,000.00
Election Security	\$130,883.00
Hazardous Device Teams	\$293,365.00
Citizen Corps	\$90,000.00
State Training Team, State Incident Management Team	\$146,000.00
Nebraska Regional Interoperability Network	\$324,485.00
Helicopter Search and Rescue Team	\$25,000.00
PET programming, and Management & Administration of the Grant	\$835,500.00

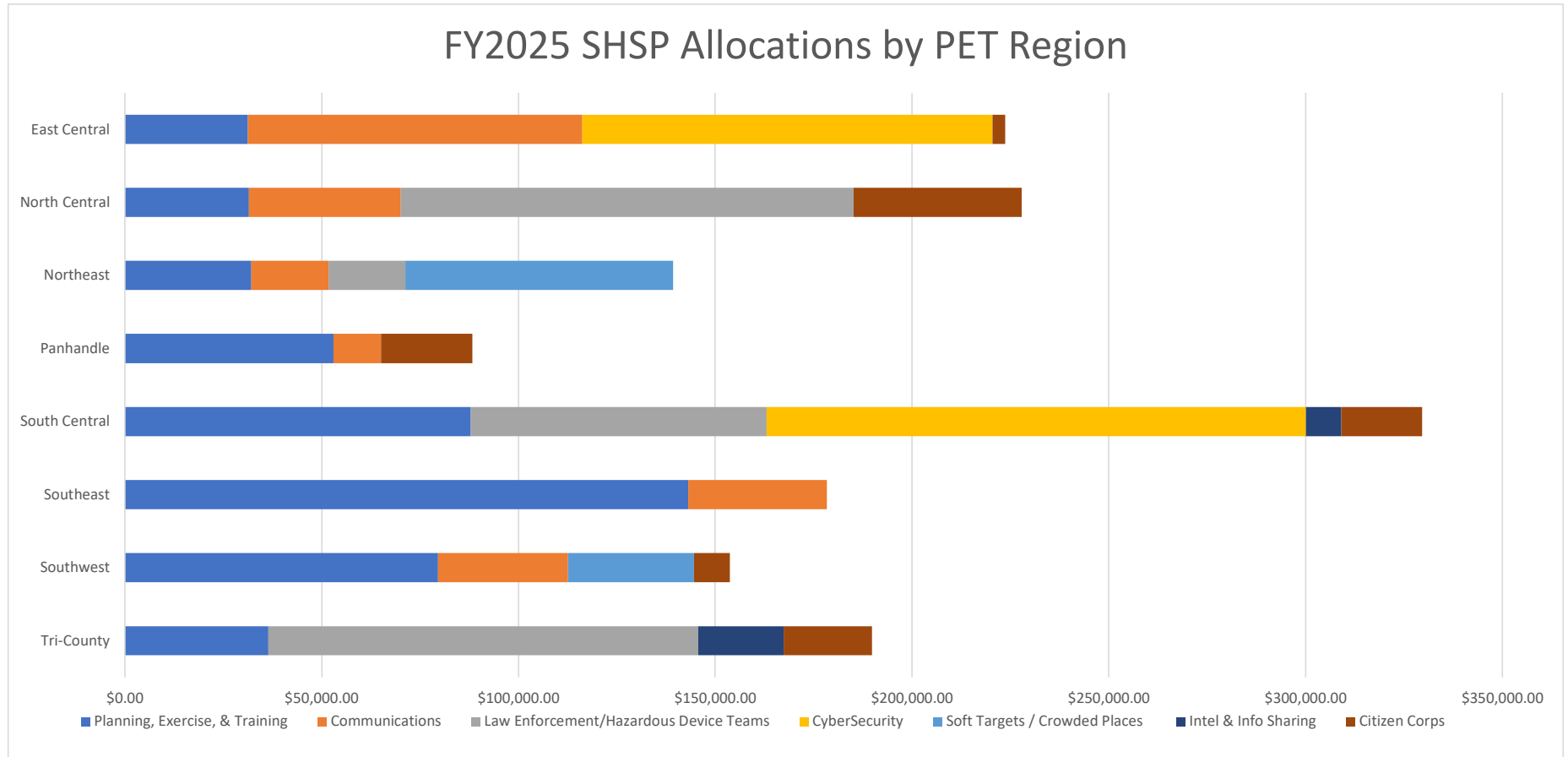
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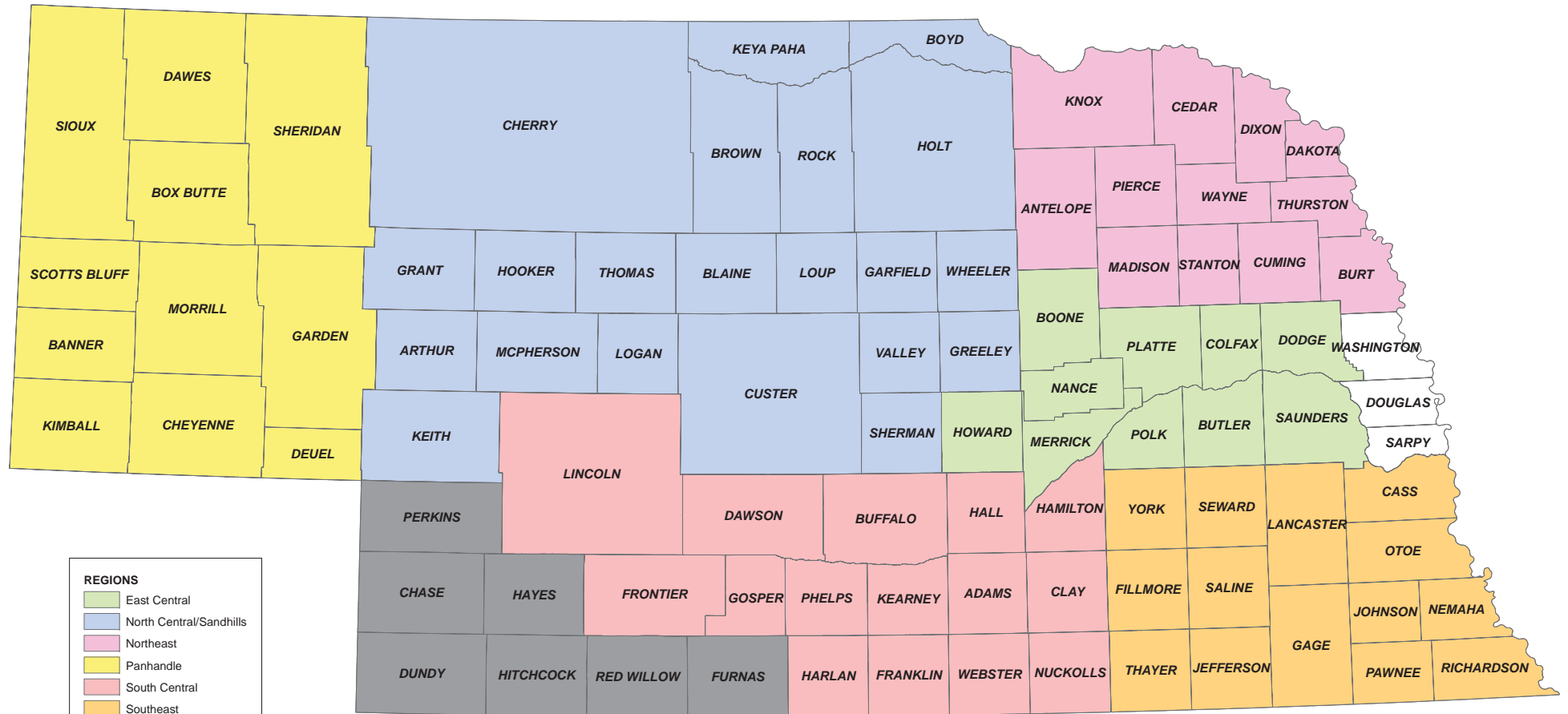
Shading indicates a national priority focus area as determined by DHS/FEMA

Total Grant Award \$4,362,750.00

FY2025 SHSP Allocations by Investment Justification







REGIONS

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