

## **Public Safety and Homeland Security**

- Work on the FY 19 SHSGP is well underway. All open grants include funds for training and exercise, contractual support and sustainment and maintenance of regional equipment. There are also set asides for the Hartford Bomb Squad, Capitol Region HAZMAT team and Metropolitan Medical Response System. Our region was allocated an additional \$60,000 in funds which has been split between the training and sustainment line items. This grant was just recently extended through February of 2023.
- CRCOG staff continues to work with Tetra Tech on an After-Action Review of the region's response during the Covid pandemic. An electronic survey for all stakeholders was distributed and focus group sessions are well underway.
- CRCOG sent several members of our Incident Management Team to the All-Hazards Incident Management Teams Association Symposium held last month.
- Interested communities were provided with animal crates and cages by ESF-11 Animal Response.
- Staff completed and was awarded a NACCHO Respond, Innovate, Sustain, and Equip (RISE) grant application for the Capitol Region Medical Reserve Corps Unit in the amount of \$75,000.
- A quarterly meeting of the Capitol Region PK-12 Emergency Planning Committee was held. Updates were provided by the Commission on Women, Children, Seniors, Equity & Opportunity regarding the bills that are being proposed during this session regarding school safety and by Amery Bernhardt, Director of the new Connecticut Center for School Safety and Crisis Preparation.
- Staff participated in the initial planning meeting for the annual Law Enforcement Day at Camp Courant.
- Staff is assisting the TSA with their Detect and Resolve (DARE) exercise program.
- CRCOG staff attended training sessions with Everbridge to enhance and update our current alerting system.