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CISA Provides Resources to Enhance Personal and Organizational Security During Civil Unrest

As highlighted in the Department of Homeland Security's [National Terrorism Advisory System Bulletin](#), the U.S. has experienced many civil unrest incidents in the past year.

Explore Personal and Infrastructure Security Resources

The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) provides the critical infrastructure community with resources to support efforts in protecting people and property.

- The [Protecting Infrastructure During Public Demonstrations](#) fact sheet provides risk mitigation considerations for infrastructure owners and operators.

Extremists have also used rhetoric in an attempt to threaten high-profile individuals associated with the management and operation of critical infrastructure. CISA recommends that individuals, especially those with higher profile status, implement basic security measures to increase personal safety.

- The [Personal Security Considerations](#) fact sheet provides several suspicious behavioral indicators and personal security measures to protect critical infrastructure and mitigate threats to personal safety.

Learn More about the Hometown Security Program

For additional resources relating to personal and infrastructure security visit cisa.gov/hometown-security.

CISA's Hometown Security program provides access to tools and resources to support community security and resilience; communities are the first line of defense in keeping the public safe and secure. Applying the steps (connect, plan, train, and report) in advance of an incident or attack can help better prepare businesses and their employees to

proactively think about the role they play in the safety and security of their businesses and communities.

[Learn More About Hometown Security](#)

Alerts and Announcements

CISA Releases Potential Civil Unrest Tabletop Exercise Package

CISA is pleased to announce the release of the Potential Civil Unrest CISA Tabletop Exercise Package (CTEP). The CTEP is one of many cyber and physical exercises CISA conducts with Federal, State, local, tribal, territorial, private sector, and international partners to enhance security and resilience of critical infrastructure. These exercises provide stakeholders with effective and practical mechanisms to examine plans and procedures, potentially identify areas for improvement, and share best practices.

The goal of the Potential Civil Unrest CTEP is to allow CISA partners to discuss the impacts to their organizations from a potential civil unrest incident. It includes three modules that allow partners to discuss relevant issues around information sharing, response actions, and short-term recovery issues.

The CTEP is available via the Homeland Security Information Network (HSIN) Critical Infrastructure portal along with the totality of CISA Exercise's CTEP library.

Partners can visit the CISA Exercises website at <https://www.cisa.gov/critical-infrastructure-exercises> or contact CISA Exercises directly at CISA.Exercises@cisa.dhs.gov for additional information.

CISA Publishes 2020 Chemical Security Seminar Presentations

CISA recently published select [presentations](#) from the 2020 Chemical Security Seminars.

The 2020 Chemical Security Seminars were held virtually in December 2020 and featured important chemical security information for industry organizations, facility owners and operators, government officials, first responders, and law enforcement.

During the sessions, participants discussed and shared the latest in chemical security best practices, including:

- The state of chemical security—updates for the [Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards \(CFATS\) program](#) and ongoing nonregulatory chemical security efforts;
- A demonstration of the [CFATS Personnel Surety Program](#) application;
- A deep dive into the 18 CFATS [Risk-Based Performance Standards \(RBPS\)](#) and best practices;
- A chemical threat briefing;

- Managing chemical security during natural disasters: hurricanes, wildfires, floods, and pandemics;
- Challenges encountered with chemical security during the COVID-19 pandemic;
- Growing a global culture of chemical security; and
- The convergence of cyber and physical security.

To learn more, visit CISA's [Chemical Security Summit page](#). For questions, please email ChemicalSummitReq@hq.dhs.gov.

Events



Partner Webinar: Protecting Your Business from Cyber Fraud

The U.S. Small Business Administration is hosting a webinar to help business owners learn how to implement cost-effective measures to prevent cybercriminals from accessing their data and assets.

Date: February 16, 2021

Time: 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
ET

[Register Here](#)



Webinar: Combating Online Influence and Manipulation

Join experts from across government and industry to explore methods for combating online interference such as source checking online networks and link analysis as well as use cases around promoting awareness and truth-based narratives.

Date: February 25, 2021

Time: 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
ET

[Register Here](#)



Livestream: President's Cup Cybersecurity Competition

Follow the Federal government's most skilled cybersecurity experts as they compete to win the second annual President's Cup Cybersecurity Competition. Tune in to [CISA live](#) on February 25th to join.

Date: February 25, 2021

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 6:00
p.m. ET

[Learn More Here](#)

Featured Programs and Resources

CISA Resources Related to Nashville and Washington, D.C. IED Incidents

In the aftermath of the Christmas Day bombing in Nashville, Tenn., and the January discovery of multiple improvised explosive devices (IED) during the violent assault on the Capitol, CISA has been at the forefront of inter governmental response and resource coordination.



CISA has worked closely with the FBI National Explosives Task Force and law enforcement partners to provide IED incident prevention, protection, and response guidance and resources to local and state governments, first responders, and the private sector.

CISA offers a wide range of programs and resources to facilitate the sharing of threat and incident information, assist in decision making, and enhance C IED security capabilities:

CISA Bombing Prevention Resources

- [Free C IED Online Training Courses](#)
- [Unattended vs. Suspicious Item Postcard and Poster](#)
- [DHS DOJ Bomb Threat Guidance](#)
- [Bomb Making Materials Awareness Program](#)
- [National Counter IED Capabilities Analysis Database](#)
- [VBIED Identification Card](#)
- [December 2020 Nashville VBIED Attack](#) article in the [TRIPwire Awareness Bulletins](#) folder in the [TRIPwire Library](#)

To learn more about CISA's Counter IED policy, training and awareness resources, visit cisa.gov/obp and [TRIPwire.dhs.gov](https://tripwire.dhs.gov), or contact OBP@cisa.dhs.gov for more information.

Emergency Communications Support to Tribes in the Western Region



CISA engaged the [Western Regional Partnership \(WRP\)](#) Tribal Engagement Temporary Working Group in January 2021 to highlight technical support and resources that can help tribes strengthen interoperable communications capabilities.

The WRP enables senior policy level Federal, State, and tribal leadership to identify common goals and emerging issues in Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, and Utah and develop solutions that support WRP partners and protect natural and cultural resources while promoting sustainability, homeland security, and military readiness. The WRP region contains significant military assets, federal and tribal lands, and infrastructure systems such as energy, transportation, and wildlife ecosystems.

CISA offers various technical assistance services free of charge to tribes through the Interoperable Communications Technical Assistance Program (ICTAP). These services

range from communications assessment, planning, and training support to governance and operations coordination.

CISA also offers various emergency communications services to tribes including the [Tribal Emergency Communications Program \(TECP\)](#). These services include consultative engagement, outreach, advocacy, technical assistance, and inter- and intra-agency coordination to ensure strengthened public safety operable and interoperable communications.

Another CISA service to tribes provides regional emergency communications support across the country to access Priority Telecommunications Services (PTS). PTS enables the National Security and Emergency Preparedness community to communicate during times of severe network congestion. These services are available for landline, cellular, and data networks.

For more information about any of these programs, please contact cisatribalaffairs@cisa.dhs.gov, ECD@cisa.dhs.gov, or support@priority.info.com.

Social Media

Help CISA spread the word about upcoming events and new resources by sharing the following posts via your social media channels. Thank you for your support!

- Concerned about security during civil unrest? @CISAgov provides resources to enhance critical infrastructure #security. Visit cisa.gov/hometown-security.
- Foreign adversaries continue to seek ways to spread #disinformation. Join @CISAgov on Feb 25th for a webinar on combating online influence and manipulation: <https://cisa.webex.com/cisa/onstage/g.php?MTID=e7cd44434340d0a33a5e889444659e485>
- Check out the 2nd annual President's Cup #Cybersecurity Competition. Tune into cisa.gov/live on February 25th to join.