



Homeland Security Information Network - Critical Infrastructure

The Homeland Security Information Network initiative has been expanded to include critical infrastructure owners and operators and the private sector in the cities of Dallas, Seattle, Indianapolis and Atlanta. The Homeland Security Information Network – Critical Infrastructure (HSIN-CI) Pilot Program is an unclassified network, which immediately provides the Department’s Homeland Security Operations Center with one-stop 24/7 access to a broad spectrum of industries, agencies and critical infrastructure across both the public and private sectors. This conduit for two-way information sharing provides the Department with an expanding base of locally knowledgeable experts and delivers real-time access to needed information.

HSIN-CI is about People and Processes

HSIN-CI significantly increases the Department’s exchange of unclassified information to critical infrastructure owners and operators and the private sector.

HSIN–CI is locally governed and administered by knowledgeable, respected domain experts and decision makers from both the private and public sector with the support of Federal Regional Coordinators.

HSIN-CI local governance creates the vetted cross sector audience enabling DHS to broadcast relevant information and alert notification to the correct audience.

HSIN-CI provides a tangible tool to engage the community in Homeland Security by supporting locally relevant information sharing with a direct pipeline to and from the Department.

HSIN–CI delivers information sharing and alert notification services to the right people – those that need to know and those that need to act.

Locally Vetted Membership.

Secure Information System

HSIN–CI requires no additional hardware or software for federal, state, or local users.

HSIN-CI uses standard communication devices including wired and wireless telephones, Internet e-mail, facsimiles and text pagers to facilitate information sharing and the delivery of Alerts & Notifications.



Unique Technology Capabilities

Alerts and Notifications

- ◆ 10,000 simultaneous outbound voice calls per minute
- ◆ 30,000 inbound simultaneous calls (hot line scenario)
- ◆ 3,000 outbound simultaneous faxes
- ◆ 5,000 outbound simultaneous e-mail messages
- ◆ Immediate Internet website content changes

FBI/DHS Information Sharing — The FBI and DHS are sharing information between HSIN-CI and the FBI's TIPs program, a publicly available website for the public to report suspicious activity. Information submitted through the HSIN-CI TIPs link is immediately transmitted to both DHS and FBI headquarters for handling.

HSIN-CI coordinates relevant local and regional communities via websites:

Dallas www.swern.gov

Seattle www.nwwarn.gov

Indiana www.ian.gov