

CNMI HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



ABOUT US

CNMI HSEM HISTORY



In 2005, Public Law No. 14-63 created and established the Office of Homeland Security under the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Office of the Governor. It was not until 2013, when Public Law No. 18-4 reorganized the Office of Homeland Security and the Office of Emergency Management, unifying them to create the CNMI Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM).

OUR MISSION



To effectively manage incidents by coordinating and facilitating efforts among CNMI government agencies, federal partners, and non-governmental organizations. This includes preparing for, preventing, and responding to threats, crimes, hazards, and emergencies. The goal is to mitigate catastrophic events, ultimately protecting lives, property, and the environment.

OUR VISION



To build and train employees to exercise the capabilities of the organization, set the facilities, and execute all functions of an incident command system to advance a safer and more prepared CNMI.

LEADERSHIP & PROGRAMS



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Finance and Administration

Personnel Management
Financial Management

Planning Section

Grants Program
Training and Exercise Program

Marianas Regional Fusion

Center Node

Operations Section

Resource Management
Response Management

Emergency Management

Information Technology & Communications Systems
State Warning Point

Logistics

Facilities Management
Fleet Management

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MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- [Updated Tsunami Outreach Material](#)
- [Development of the Disaster Housing Plan](#)
- [Response to Natural Disasters](#)
- [WebEOC: Crisis Management Solution](#)
- [The CNMI's Emergency Communications Annex](#)
- [KONFITMA 2024 Exercise](#)
- [Incident Command System \(ICS\) Level Courses](#)
- [Procurement and Testing of All Hazard Mobile Sirens](#)
- [Personal Identity Verification - Interoperable Card \(PIV-I\)](#)
- [U.S Coast Guard "Lina'la Halom Tasi 2024 Exercise"](#)
- [Establishment of the First CNMI Emergency Communications Committee](#)

FINANCES

Local Funds

Through House Bill 23-23-66, HS1, SS2, CCS1 entitled "To make appropriations for the operations and activities of the Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, its agencies, instrumentalities, and independent programs, and to provide budget authority for the government corporations for Fiscal Year 2024; and for other purposes," which was passed by the House of Representatives and The Senate of the Twenty-Third Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature became Public Law 23-09, CNMI HSEM has budgeted a total of \$328,983 in local funding.

Operations \$4,080
Total: \$333,063
Personnel \$328,983



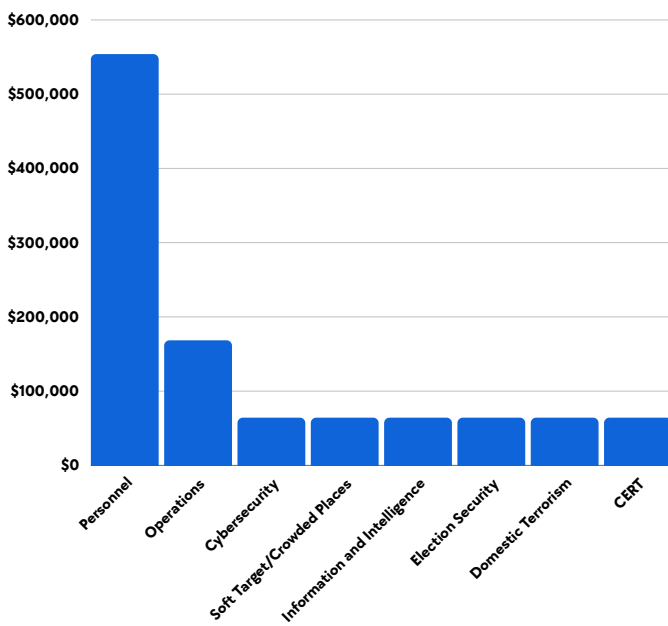
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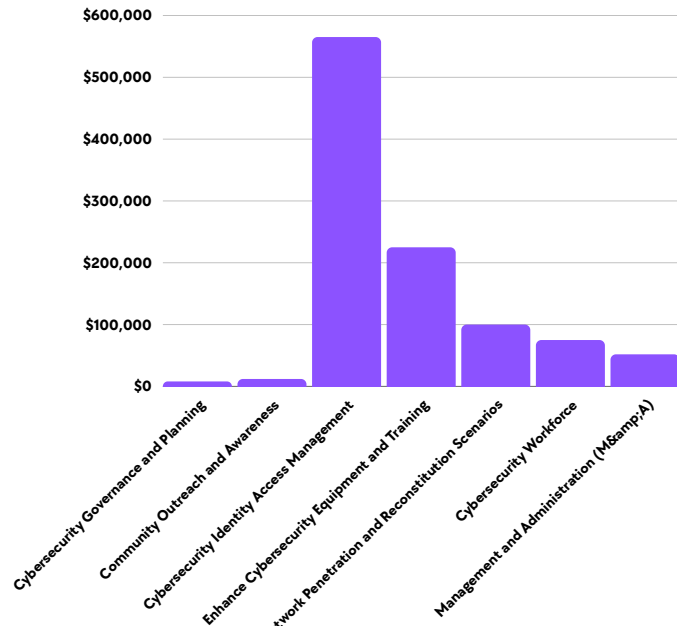
FINANCES

Federal Grants

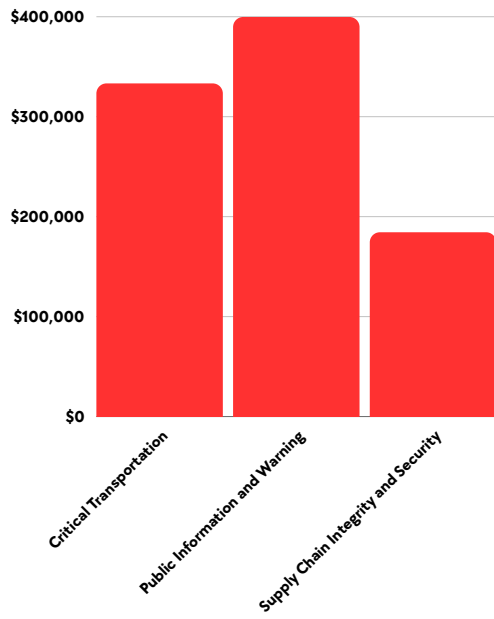
In 2024, CNMI HSEM was awarded over \$3.7 million from the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG). The Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP). The Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP). The National Tsunami Hazard Mitigation Program (NTHMP) State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP).



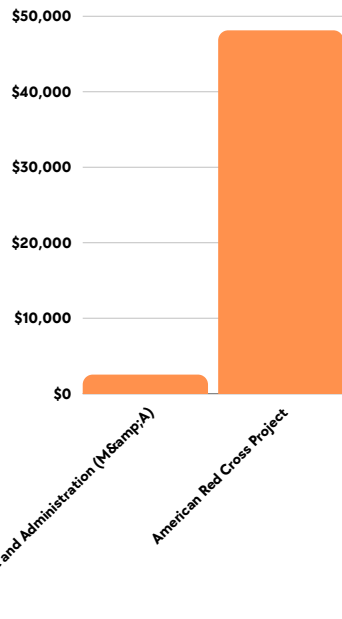
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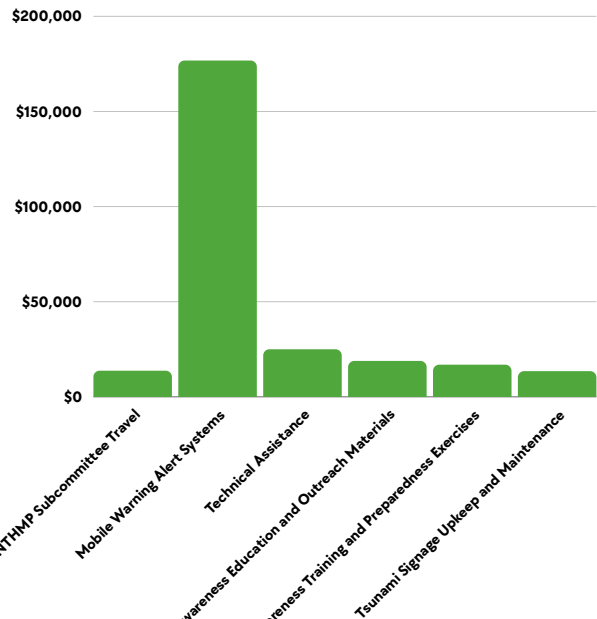
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EMPG



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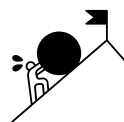


NTHMP

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CHALLENGES



COVID-19 Closeout Activities

COVID-19 closeout activities report, accountability, and processing of documents were time-consuming and preparations that delayed the reimbursement process. COVID-19 demobilization, disposition, and disposal process will continue to be closing out all pending obligations.

Financial Challenges

Although CNMI HSEM receives the bulk of its operational funding through federal funds, there are still many tasks that are inherent to the agency that cannot be supported through federal funding.

Austerity Measures

Due to austerity measures, CNMI HSEM projects and activities continue to be monitored and reviewed carefully.

Recent shift to La Nina

La Nina means a shift in tropical cyclone (TC) is predicted to keep TC activity below normal activity for the Marianas. In El Nino, most of the TC activity shifts eastward of the Marianas. In La Nina, TC activities will shift westward of the Marianas.

LOOKING FORWARD



More Classes and Training Opportunities will be offered in order to Maintain a Steady State of Rediness


CNMI COMDEX (November 2024)

200 foot Communications Tower Replacement


Development of the Be Ready CNMI App


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