NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY GIS FOUNDATION
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VISION
A Nation of emergency responders and leaders equipped with the knowledge and skills in applying technology and data to change the outcome for survivors.

MISSION
To equip emergency management & public safety with the knowledge, skills, and resources to apply decision support technology and data in enhancing preparedness and building a more resilient nation.

GOALS
1. Provide public safety leaders with the knowledge and tools necessary to apply geospatial technology and data in decision making
2. Enable emergency responders and leaders to integrate geospatial technology and data throughout their planning, exercises, training, and operations
3. Facilitate collaboration between emergency responders and GIS practitioners to aid in operationalizing technology and data
4. Build the capacity for GIS practitioners to share information and manage geospatial systems that support the delivery of all 31 core capabilities
5. Align operational needs and policy requirements with the innovation and capabilities available through the private sector
OBJECTIVES BY GOAL

1. **Goal 1** - Provide public safety leaders with the knowledge and tools necessary to apply the geospatial technology and data in decision making
   a. Establish the NAPSG Executive Leaders Advisory Group to provide programmatic recommendations on policy and operational relevance
   b. Bolster participation by public safety leaders in all NAPSG trainings, workshops, working groups, and other forums through formalized partnerships with national associations
   c. Develop *(by December each year)* and deliver an annual series of awareness-level virtual trainings that is targeted to the specific needs of public safety leaders –
   d. Incorporate a public safety leadership track into NAPSG’s Annual Summit or Regional Workshop
   e. Develop and release implementation guidance on location-enabled decision support tools that is targeted and tailored to public safety leaders – *by April 2015*
   f. Update content on the Capabilities and Readiness Assessment Tool (CARAT) to address specific needs of public safety leaders

2. **Goal 2** - Enable emergency responders and leaders to integrate geospatial technology and data throughout their planning, exercises, training, and operations
   a. Develop guidance for how geospatial technology and data can be applied to the THIRA process, operational planning, mitigation planning, and other standard planning efforts in alignment with national planning guidelines
   b. Integrate geospatial technology and data sharing into the development and execution of local, state, tribal, and/or Federal emergency management exercises in collaboration with the national exercise program
   c. Create a simple and standardized toolkit of training materials on applying geospatial technology and data to the public safety mission
   d. Coordinate an exercise to integrate the data and capabilities of location-enabled mutual aid management applications in partnership with national mutual aid stakeholder organizations
   e. Provide technical assistance to local, state, and tribal public safety agencies focused on integrating geospatial technology and data in their priority planning efforts, exercises, training, and operations
3. **Goal 3** - Facilitate collaboration between emergency responders and GIS practitioners to aid in operationalizing technology and data
   a. Incorporate ‘tech translation’ sessions into NAPSG’s Annual Summit and/or Regional Workshops where emergency responders and GIS practitioners participate in facilitated dialogues to define operational needs and technical requirements
   b. Coordinate participation by GIS practitioners into the planning and execution of local, state, tribal, and/or Federal emergency management exercises in collaboration with the national exercise program
   c. Foster collaboration between the 911 dispatch community, GIS practitioners, and other public safety leaders in the implementation of next generation 911
   d. Facilitate virtual and in-person networking events for responder-GIS practitioner interchanges
   e. Provide technical assistance to local, state, and tribal public safety agencies and GIS offices that facilitate the needs and requirements process through NAPSG’s Regional Leadership Teams

4. **Goal 4** - Build the capacity for GIS practitioners to share information and manage geospatial systems that support the delivery of all 31 core capabilities
   a. Develop and deliver a series of awareness-level virtual trainings on data sharing and the application of geospatial tools across the five mission areas and 31 core capabilities
   b. Facilitate integration of existing data and information sharing initiatives underway by Federal agencies and other organizations to maximize the operational benefit for emergency responders and leaders
   c. Enhance and streamline the CARAT structure around the 31 core capabilities
   d. Bolster CARAT content to provide more relevant resources and training guides specific to each of the 31 core capabilities
5. **Goal 5** - Align operational needs and policy requirements with the innovation and capabilities available through the private sector

   a. Include private sector leaders in the NAPSG Executive Leaders Advisory Group
   
   b. Establish formal partnerships with private sector entities to integrate capabilities that fill operational needs across the five mission areas
   
   c. Integrate sessions on private sector innovations for public safety into the NAPSG Annual Summit and/or Regional Workshops
   
   d. Strategically document and disseminate model practices that highlight specific innovations and capabilities available through the private sector