



# CENTER FOR HOMELAND DEFENSE AND SECURITY ANNUAL FACT SHEET

#### **ABOUT CHDS**

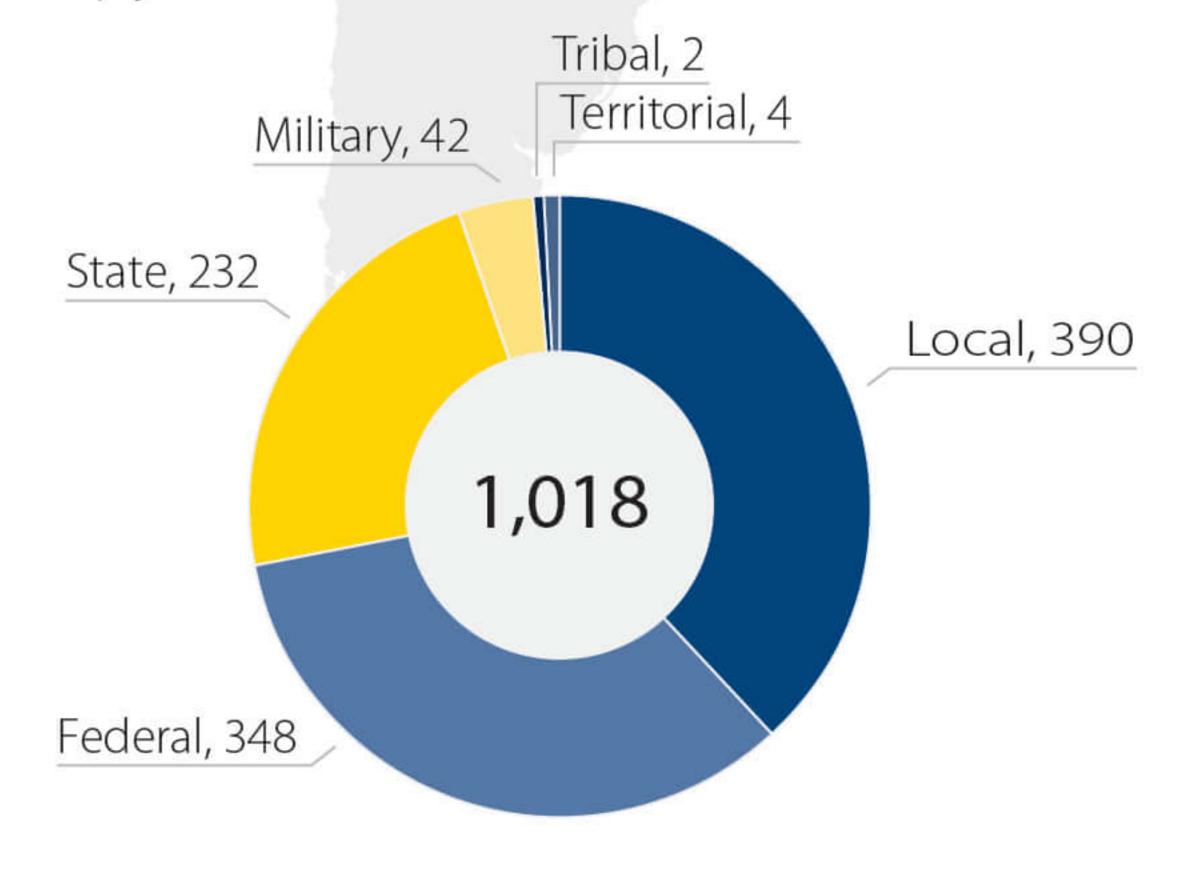
- Established in 2002 and commencing instruction in January 2003, CHDS provides a neutral educational forum where current and future homeland security leaders learn, discuss and debate policies, strategies, programs, and organizational elements to counter terrorism and respond to natural disasters and other public safety threats.
- Through graduate-level coursework, seminars, and research, homeland security leaders gain analytical homeland expertise while bridging gaps in interagency, intergovernmental, and civil-military cooperation.

#### MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM (MA)

- Started in January of 2003, this accredited 18-month program brings local, state, tribal, territorial and federal leaders together in an unique learning environment.
- Participants are in-residence two weeks per quarter; remainder of coursework is completed via network-based learning.
- Students from diverse disciplines are enrolled in concurrent cohorts; classes are held in Monterey, California and Hagerstown, Maryland.
- Participants complete a thesis on policy issues confronting their sponsoring organization; theses are being implemented by agencies around the nation to solve homeland security challenges.

Graduated Cohorts	3
New Alumni	86
In-progress cohorts	4
Current Students	121

## alumni by jurisdiction



### **EXECUTIVE LEADERS PROGRAM (ELP)**

- Strengthens national security by providing a non-degree, graduate-level educational program to meet the needs of high-ranking government and private-sector leaders.
- Provides an educational forum to enhance leaders' capacity to identify and resolve homeland security problems.
- Creates nationwide homeland security networks and builds relationships between senior leaders across disciplines, agencies and levels of government.

Graduated Cohorts	2
New Alumni	62
In-Progress Cohorts	2
Current Students	61

# EXECUTIVE EDUCATION SEMINARS CONDUCTED BY THE MOBILE EDUCATION TEAM (MET)

- Half-day executive seminars, facilitated by the Mobile Education Team (MET) of subject matter experts, provide a neutral educational forum to explore, discuss and debate homeland security issues.
- Program is focused on governors, mayors, other elected officials and their respective homeland security teams.
- Topics are discussed in an executive round table format utilizing area specific interactive scenarios.

Seminars Conducted in 2017	30
Seminar Participants since inception Jan. 2003	14,100+

# PACIFIC EXECUTIVE LEADERS PROGRAM (PACIFIC ELP)

- The Pacific ELP consists of an intensive oneweek in-residence session that addresses specific challenges facing officials in these unique areas.
- Strengthen national security by providing a nondegree, graduate-level educational program to meet the needs of leaders responsible for homeland defense and security in the Pacific Region.
- The Pacific Region faces unique homeland security challenges including: geographic isolation from the continental U.S. and other entities, predisposition to various types of natural disasters, port security and safety concerns.

Alumni	29
Cohorts	1

# RADIOLOGICAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (REP) EXECUTIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM

- Provides government and industry leaders with the tools and resources they need to think and act strategically in the area of radiological emergency planning.
- Allows private, local, state and federal partners to explore the complex and unique challenges associated with preparing for, responding to, and recovering from a commercial nuclear power plant major incident.
- This course is sponsored by FEMA's Technical Hazards Division and is only open to their invitees.

Alumni	42
Cohorts	2

### **EMERGENCE PROGRAM**

- Enhances the next generation of homeland security leaders' understanding of the homeland security discipline and emerging trends.
- Facilitates participants' homeland security perspectives and what they view as opportunities for change and contributions their generation can make to the evolving discipline.
- Emphasizes and enhances critical inquiry, analysis, and evidence based research to understand complex problems and to develop and implement new ideas.
- Develops and explores strategies for success in a changing work environment.
- Inspires participants to a career in homeland security and public safety.

Graduated Cohorts	1
New Alumni	32
In-Progress Cohorts	1
Current Students	32

# UNIVERSITY AND AGENCY PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE (UAPI)

www.uapi.us

- CHDS offers its curriculum, learning technologies, and educational resources to institutional and individual partners, who also share their curriculum and specialized expertise with CHDS and other UAPI partners.
- "Multiplier effect" increases number and diversity of students with access to homeland security education nationally.

Participants	116
Partners	5

## HOMELAND SECURITY DIGITAL LIBRARY (HSDL)

www.hsdl.org

- Nation's premier collection of homeland security policy and strategy related documents; supports local, state, tribal, territorial and federal analysis, decision-making, and academic research.
- All documents are selected by a staff of librarians and subject matter specialists.
- Full collection and special features are accessible to account holders, a portion of the collection is open to the public.
- Part of the Federal Depository Library System.

Documents in the HSDL Collection	172,200+

### **SELF STUDY COURSES**

 Non-credit, online versions of the MA courses; available to professionals who wish to enhance their understanding of key concepts and require the flexibility of self-paced instruction.

Registered Participants	1,471
Self-Directed Non-Credit Courses	10

## HOMELAND SECURITY AFFAIRS (HSAJ)-THE JOURNAL OF NPS-CHDS

www.hsaj.org

- Academic, online journal with submissions from national homeland security experts.
- Articles propose and debate strategies, policies, and organizational arrangements to strengthen homeland security.
- Catalogued by more than 858 libraries worldwide; indexed by EBSCO and ProQuest.

Articles	124
Essay	101

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