



**To: Bay Area UASI Approval Authority**  
**From: Janell Myhre, UASI Regional Program Manager**  
**Date: July 11, 2019**  
**Re: Item 05: UASI Technical Assistance Program Update**

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**Action or Discussion Items:**

Discussion

**Background:**

The UASI Technical Assistance (TA) Program was kicked off at the March 2018 Approval Authority meeting. To date, over ten TA sessions in eight different counties or cities have been delivered, receiving high evaluation ratings and positive testimonials. The Commodity Points of Distribution (C-POD) Management, Large Special Events ConOps planning, and UASI staff support for exercise evaluations have been the most popular TA offerings to date.

**Discussion:**

In February 2019, a regional survey was conducted throughout the UASI regional workgroup membership to assess the use and effectiveness of the UASI Technical Assistance Program's introductory year. Overall survey results from Bay Area local government public safety staff showed:

- A positive view of and need for the TA program.
- A lack of local government staff and/or time to engage with the TA program
- A need for training on UASI topics other than program tools

**Next Steps:**

Using the stakeholder survey feedback, the UASI Management Team will begin conducting additional outreach to the Bay Area to better define the Technical Assistance Program offering. This will be discussed in more detail with regional workgroups and at the annual stakeholder outreach meetings.

Janell Myhre, Regional Program Manager, will present information with an accompanying PowerPoint presentation (Appx A). The UASI Management Team looks forward to hearing your feedback on the TA Program. We will report back to you with a TA program update the Summer of 2020.