

WHO WE ARE

The Department of Defense (DoD) Domestic Preparedness Support Initiative (DPSI), in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense and Global Security, coordinates DoD efforts to identify, evaluate, deploy and transfer technology, items and equipment to Federal, state and local first responders.

OUR MISSION

Through this Initiative, the DoD fulfills Congress' intent to support public safety and homeland security by leveraging taxpayer investments in defense technology and equipment. We seek to protect and secure the homeland by sharing expertise, equipment and technology, as appropriate, across military and civilian boundaries. Partnerships with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Department of Justice (DOJ), and communication with first responders are critical for success in this important mission.



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Support Initiative

Building Partnership Capacity

We Assist

First Responders, Emergency Managers and Other Public Safety Officials

DPSI works with first responders – defined as individuals responsible for the protection and preservation of life, property, evidence and the environment that provide immediate support services during prevention, response, and recovery operations – to facilitate connections with programs that allow their organizations to obtain DoD equipment through loan, purchase or direct transfer. DPSI also promotes DoD programs that can offer training and technical assistance. We provide information about what technologies or equipment are available, work to improve ease of access to the items and facilitate the creation of new technology that will benefit first responders.

Technology Researchers, Developers and Manufacturers

Working closely with our federal partners, we promote the advancement, commercialization and transition of high priority DoD projects that can result in first responder capability improvements. We help researchers, developers and the small business community make the right connections to advance technologies that support homeland defense.

State and Local Officials

We can connect first responders and state and local officials to DoD programs that allow them to leverage the Federal government's buying power to procure DoD technology and equipment – maximizing the use of American taxpayer dollars.

What We Do

- Coordinate with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Department of Justice (DOJ), and other organizations to determine first responder technology needs
- Facilitate the identification and evaluation of DoD technology for potential first responder applications
- Promote the transfer and commercialization of DoD technologies and their transition to first responder use
- Facilitate collaborative research and development opportunities
- Create awareness among first responders of available DoD technologies and services

Our Partnerships

The DoD Domestic Preparedness Support Initiative partners with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Department of Justice (DOJ) to leverage the best of the Nation's resources to support domestic preparedness through technology and equipment transfer. Through these critical partnerships, we work together to implement a practitioner-driven approach that bridges the gap between first responder needs and relevant, available DoD technologies, items and equipment.



DoD Programs Available Today

Here are several examples of DoD programs available that support the purchase, loan or transfer of DoD items, equipment and technologies for first responders.

I033 Program

Transfers excess military property to law enforcement agencies at no cost to the receiving agency.

<http://www.dispositionervices.dla.mil/leso/pages/default.aspx>



I122 Program

The Department of the Army, Defense Logistics Agency, and General Services Administration cooperate to allow state and local governments to purchase items in support of counter-drug, homeland security, and emergency response activities from existing Federal purchase contracts.

www.gsa.gov/I122program



I706 Program

Transfers excess military property to state firefighting and emergency services agencies at no cost to the receiving agency.

<http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/partners/fepp/DODprogram>



Night Vision Loan Program

Sponsored by Naval Surface Warfare Center, provides law enforcement agencies with a low-cost loan/maintenance alternative to the purchase of night vision equipment.

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