

Sector Partnership Model: Key Components

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- Critical Infrastructure Cross-Sector Council
- State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Government Coordinating Council
- Regional Consortium Coordinating Council



Sector Coordinating Councils

The sector partnership model encourages critical infrastructure owners and operators to create or identify Sector Coordinating Councils (SCCs) at the national level as the principal entity for coordinating with the government on a wide range of critical infrastructure security and resilience activities and issues.

The SCCs are self-organized, self-run, and self-governed, with a spokesperson designated by the sector membership. Specific membership will vary from sector to sector, reflecting the unique composition of each sector; however, membership should be representative of a broad base of owners, operators, associations, and other entities—both large and small—within a sector.

The SCCs enable owners and operators to interact on a wide range of sector-specific strategies, policies, activities, and issues. The SCCs serve as principal sector policy coordination and planning entities.

Government Coordinating Councils

Each Government Coordinating Council (GCC) is the government counterpart for the corresponding Sector Coordinating Council (SCC) and is formed to enable interagency and cross-jurisdictional coordination.

The GCC comprises representatives from across various levels of government (Federal, State, local, or tribal), as appropriate to the operating landscape of each individual sector.

Each GCC is co-chaired by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Assistant Secretary for Infrastructure Protection or designee.

The GCC is responsible for ensuring appropriate representation on the GCC and providing cross-sector coordination with State, local, and tribal governments. The GCC coordinates strategies, activities, policy, and communications across governmental entities within each sector.

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Critical Infrastructure Cross-Sector Council

Cross-sector issues and interdependencies are addressed among the SCCs through the Critical Infrastructure Cross-Sector Council, which comprises the leadership of each of the SCCs.

The partnership coordinates cross-sector initiatives to support critical infrastructure security and resilience by identifying legislative issues that affect such initiatives and by raising awareness of issues in critical infrastructure security and resilience.

State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Government Coordinating Council

The State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Government Coordinating Council (SLTTGCC):

- Serves as a forum to ensure that State, local, tribal, and territorial homeland security partners are fully integrated as active participants in national critical infrastructure security and resilience efforts.
- Provides an organizational structure to coordinate across jurisdictions on State and local government-level critical infrastructure security and resilience guidance, strategies, and programs.
- Provides the State, local, tribal, or territorial perspective or feedback on a wide variety of critical infrastructure issues.

Regional Consortium Coordinating Council

The Regional Consortium Coordinating Council (RCCC) brings together representatives of regional partnerships, groupings, and governance bodies to enable critical infrastructure security and resilience coordination among partners within and across geographical areas and sectors.