

Oregon Cybersecurity Center of Excellence



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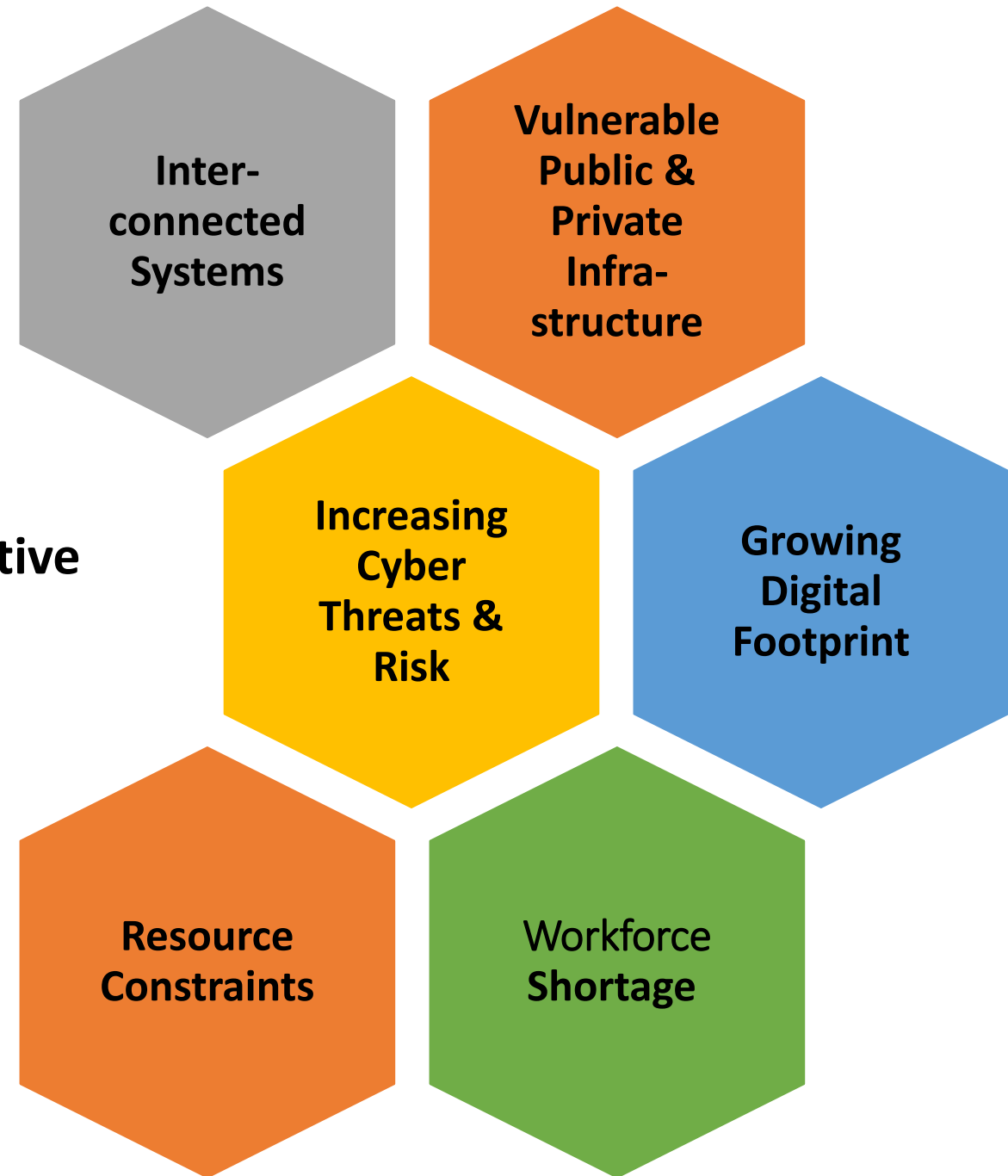
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Cybersecurity Problem

Calls for **Concerted, Coordinated** and **Collaborative** effort across public, private, and academic institutions!



Why Universities Host CCOE?



Coordination & Information Exchange



Building Partnerships and Community



Synergizes Education, Innovation & Workforce
Development



Many states are following a model of leveraging
their universities



**Network & Systems
Security and
Resiliency**



**Oregon State
University**

**Systems Security &
Privacy, Cyber
Operations**



**Portland
State**

**Public Policy &
National Security**

OREGON CYBERSECURITY CENTER of EXCELLENCE

**Community Engagement, Workforce Development,
Security Services & Cutting Edge Research**

CCoE Purpose

- *(a) Awareness, education and training about cybersecurity and cybersecurity-related issues for public, private and nonprofit sectors;*
- *(b) Cybersecurity workforce development programs in coordination with:*
 - *(A) Public universities listed in ORS 352.002;*
 - *(B) Community colleges operated under ORS chapter 341; and*
 - *(C) Science, technology, engineering and mathematics and career and technical education programs;*
- *(c) Research about cybersecurity education and training methodologies;*
- *(d) Research and development of cybersecurity technologies, tools, policies and processes; and*
- *(e) Cybersecurity-related goods and services to Oregon public bodies, with priority given to local governments, regional governments, special districts, education service districts, school districts and libraries.*

Oregon CCoE Mission Areas (Complementing State CIO Efforts)



Oregon CCoE Strategy

- Partnerships, Collaboration, and Community Engagement!
 - Partnerships: Universities, Community Colleges, K-12, Libraries, TAO (Industry), City Governments, County Governments, Special Districts, State CIO, and Federal agencies (i.e., CISA, FBI)
- Understand the scope and magnitude of problems on the ground
 - Stakeholder Engagement & Pilot Assessments
- Align and re-orient existing capabilities and resources at OSU, PSU, UO, and partners to serve mission areas
- Reassess and re-align goals and strategies at the end of the biennium

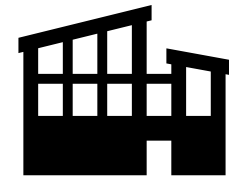
Fastest Path to Impact for Stakeholders!

Oregon CCOE: First Biennium



Standing up the Center

- Developing a Joint Operating Agreement
- Hiring Personnel
- Drafting and Adopting a Charter
- Engaging the Advisory Council and the State CIO's Office



Workforce Development

Need robust **cybersecurity** programs statewide, from K-12 to graduate education, to meet the demand

- Identify, compile, and assess all cybersecurity related offerings and pathways across the State
- [K-12] Engage students (NW Cyber Camps) and teachers (curriculum development) in cybersecurity
- [College] Support development & offering of diverse Cybersecurity offerings at Associates, Bachelors & Masters level at multiple institutions
- [Non-degree] Support development of non-degree certificate programs for continuing education and upskilling
 - Establish a “cybersecurity certification testing” scholarship fund to support students at MHCC and other community colleges



Awareness & Training

Need for increased cybersecurity awareness in public and cybersecurity training for other professions

- [Workshops] Support development of cybersecurity workshops targeted to specific professions
- [Events] Cybersecurity focused events to build community and engage stakeholders
- [Web presence] Create a one-stop shop for cybersecurity career, education & training pathways, and employment opportunities



Foundations for Resilience Roadmap

Understand current cybersecurity status across stakeholder entities for resilience roadmap

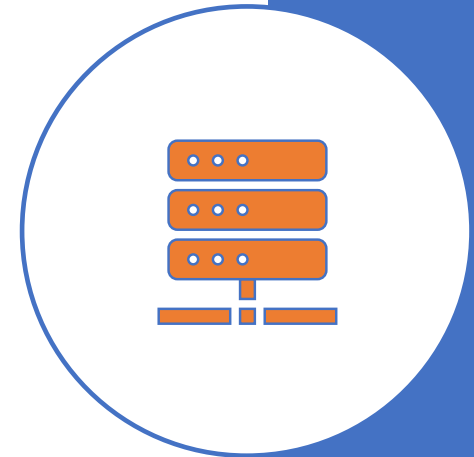
- Establish trust through engagement (listening sessions, etc)
- Gather information from stakeholders (surveys, infrastructure maps, etc)
- Conduct pilot assessments on selected stakeholders
- Develop scalable assessment model
- Prepare a preliminary resilience roadmap



Security Services

Provide security services for resource constrained public entities

- Compiling and sharing cybersecurity best practices
- Threat and risk information sharing and analysis
- Vulnerability scanning
- Network security monitoring
- Security assessment



Innovative and Engaged Scholarship

Bringing cutting-edge tools and practices to serve stakeholders

- Deploying scalable attack/anomaly detection between state cyber infrastructure and the Internet
- Developing new methods for detecting cybersecurity attacks against stakeholders
- Developing inter-disciplinary curriculum and innovative education methods



Federal & State Fund Management

Secure federal grants and manage state funds

- Catalyze and submit collaborative federal proposals
 - Research, education and workforce with community colleges, K12 and others
- Develop processes for fund disbursement
- Hire Fiscal Officer to manage state monies and federal grants



Expected Impact

Workforce Development, Awareness, Education, and Training

- Alignment and significant expansion of education and training programs across the State

Security Goods and Services

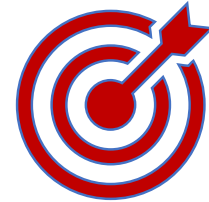
- Access to a growing set of cost-effective cybersecurity services for underserved stakeholders
- Clearinghouse for best practices and security information

Resilience Roadmap

- Preliminary resilience roadmap with a process for an informed resilience plan

Attract New Federal Funding

- Collaborative federal funding for research, education, and infrastructure





Q&A

