

# Risk & Vulnerability Assessment Team (RVAT)

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT 2024

## **INTRODUCTION**

The Risk and Vulnerability Assessment Team (RVAT) program was established by the Pennsylvania State Police (PSP) in 2004 to provide in-depth security vulnerability assessments and options for consideration to improve the security posture of facilities, public or private, within the Commonwealth. The assessments include a comprehensive examination of the physical facilities and operational procedures of a facility or event.

Per Pennsylvania Senate Bill No. 144, Section 13, this report shall serve as a detailed report of each RVAT under PSP. The information provided encompasses the reporting period from July 2023 to June 2024.

## **CURRENT GEOGRAPHIC REGIONS**

In compliance with the mandates of Act 44 of 2018 and Act 18 of 2019, the Risk and Vulnerability Assessment Team consists of the following regional sections: Northwest, Southwest, North-Central, South-Central, Northeast, and Southeast. Each area (West, Central, and East) is supervised by a Corporal who is responsible for both the north and south sections of that area. A statewide supervisor, at the rank of Sergeant, oversees the three Corporals and is centrally located in Harrisburg. There are 18 total members of the Risk and Vulnerability Assessment Team.





## **RVAT ASSESSMENTS CONDUCTED**

During this reporting period, a total of 350 assessments were conducted on facilities including, but not limited to education, houses of worship, and government structures.

	Public K-12	Private K-12	Higher Education	Preschool	Government	Houses of Worship	Other Critical Infrastructure
July 2023	0	0	0	3	0	5	12
August 2023	2	0	2	1	5	8	18
September 2023	17	2	0	0	0	4	6
October 2023	33	3	0	2	2	1	1
November 2023	19	2	0	0	6	3	3
December 2023	22	4	0	0	4	3	1
January 2024	16	0	0	1	1	5	2
February 2024	16	1	1	0	2	3	0
March 2024	19	5	2	0	0	3	3
April 2024	9	6	6	2	1	2	4
May 2024	12	2	4	5	2	2	2
June 2024	2	1	3	0	1	5	5
Totals	167	26	18	14	24	44	57



## **List of Pending Assessments\***

	Public K-12	Private K-12	Higher Education	Preschool	Government	Houses of Worship	Other Critical Infrastructure
RVAT - East	98	21	12	5	12	11	64
RVAT - Central	36	13	2	2	1	14	13
RVAT - West	50	37	11	1	3	61	66
Totals	184	71	25	8	16	86	143

Total Assessments Completed: 350 Total Assessments Pending: 533

\*As of July 10, 2024

## **RVAT TRAINING ISSUES / OTHER CONCERNS**

Currently, no training issues or gaps exist. Two new members are awaiting training dates for FLETC. Eight RVAT members have attained ASIS Physical Security Professional certification during this reporting period, with six members preparing for the exam. Members have also completed more than 10 educational presentations during the reporting period.

The unit is also exploring and testing several software solutions that would potentially reduce the time required to complete assessments and generate associated reports. The goal is to shorten the wait time for an assessment by a stakeholder, reduce the number of pending assessments, and allow members to efficiently complete more assessments during a reporting period.