

San Francisco FBI

The San Francisco Division of the FBI serves the Northern and Central Coast regions of California. The FBI is the principal investigative arm of the United States Department of Justice, with over 11,000 Special Agents and over 16,000 Support Personnel in 56 Divisions.

The San Francisco Division operates from its headquarters office in downtown San Francisco as well as from its Resident Agencies in Concord, Eureka, Hayward, Monterey, Oakland, Palo Alto, San Jose, San Rafael, and Santa Rosa.

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National Security

The FBI is the lead agency for a variety of national security concerns. With regard to foreign counterintelligence activity, theft of U.S. technology and sensitive economic information by foreign intelligence services and competitors has been estimated by the White House and others to be valued up to a hundred billion dollars annually.

It is therefore prudent and necessary that we provide information to those who are the targets of this activity. Critical infrastructure protection, both cyber and physical, is also a major focus of the FBI and the [Awareness of National Security Issues and Response](#) (ANSIR) Program. The ANSIR program helps to identify these infrastructures and ensure that communication with the FBI is established.

International Terrorism

The FBI investigates international terrorism, defined as terrorism by groups or individuals who are foreign-based, directed by foreign countries or groups outside the United States or whose activities transcend national boundaries. Our mission is to detect and counteract international threats directed against the United States or U.S. corporations, establishments, or persons.

Domestic Terrorism and Hate Crimes

Domestic terrorism is the unlawful use, or threatened use, of force or violence by a group or individual based and operating entirely within the United States, Puerto Rico, or other US territories without foreign direction committed against persons or property to intimidate or coerce a government, the civilian population, or any segment thereof in furtherance of political or social objectives.

San Francisco's Domestic Terrorism squad was formed three years ago in response to a national initiative to enhance the FBI's ability to prevent, investigate, and respond to acts of terrorism in the United States. An interagency Counterterrorism Task Force (CTTF) was formed in October 1997, as part of a San Francisco proactive strategy to enhance law enforcement efforts in the Bay Area to combat both domestic and international terrorism. The Task Force currently consists of the Domestic and International terrorism squads in conjunction with additional agencies, including:

California Highway Patrol (CHP)

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

Federal Protective Service (FPS)

Immigration & Naturalization Service (INS)

Oakland Police Department (OPD)

United States Customs Service (USCS)

United States Secret Service (USSS)

In support of the FBI San Francisco Counterterrorism initiative, the role of the Domestic Terrorism squad and the CTTF have the following roles:

Responsibility for addressing all aspects of the FBI's Domestic Terrorism

Operational/Investigative Subprogram, and the establishment of an effective intelligence and liaison base in support of these efforts;

Responsibility to address all Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) matters which occur in the Division, including all related WMD investigative, training, and contingency planning matters;

National Infrastructure Protection, consisting of the identification of those key industries and

