

VECCTOR

**Violent Extremism Conceptual
Comparative Tool of Resources**

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Key Acronyms

Acronym	Full Form
VECTOR	Violent Extremism Conceptual Comparative Tool of Resources
KPI	Key Performance Indicator
SME	Subject Matter Expert
ESSA	Every Student Succeeds Act
UASI	Urban Area Security Initiative
CVE	Countering Violent Extremism
DHS	Department of Homeland Security
USA	United States of America
GCERF	Global Community Engagement and Resilience Fund
UAE	United Arab Emirates
MVP	Mentors in Violence Prevention
K-12	Kindergarten to 12th Grade
RESTORE	Reentry Support and Treatment of Offenders for Recidivism Elimination
TRUST	The Reentry Unification Services Team
DUCC	Developing & Using Critical Comprehension

Preventing Violent Extremism Tool Kit:

Violent Extremism Conceptual Comparative Tool of Resources (VECCTOR)

This team conducted research and discovered an abundance of existing violent extremism prevention tool kits and programs. The threats of targeted violence and violent extremism have reached a critical inflection point with the July 13, 2024 assassination attempt of Former President Donald Trump in Butler, Pennsylvania. Fueled by the polarization of society, foreign conflicts, civil unrest, and the spread of disinformation, it is imperative targeted violence and violent extremism is stopped before it can spread. Given the complexity of the prevention, no single program can address all the factors leading to violence. This team discovered that each instance requires different approaches depending on varying factors. Identifying and selecting the intervention best suited to the specific context of each community is crucial, as the drivers of violent extremism can vary significantly across different regions and populations. However, due to the vast number and complexity of available prevention programs, stakeholders are finding it more challenging to identify and implement the most suitable programs for their specific needs. To address this need, this team has developed the Violent Extremism Conceptual Comparative Tool of Resources (VECCTOR), a phase one project, that will help guide users to the program that best fits their circumstances. The tool will have users answer a few basic questions identifying their situation, resulting in a list of relevant tools and programs. This accelerated decision-making process would allow for earlier implementation of interventions, which is crucial in mitigating violent extremism.

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The Complexity of Addressing Domestic Violent Extremism

Targeted violence and violent extremism present an immediate and sustained risk to the homeland. Fueled by the polarization of society, foreign conflicts, civil unrest, and the spread of disinformation, it is imperative to prevent targeted violence and violent extremism before they materialize into acute threat events. Such threats reached a critical inflection point with the July 13, 2024 assassination attempt of former President Donald Trump in Butler, Pennsylvania. To address this challenge, a broad range of sectors have developed prevention programs and methodologies to intervene before, during, and after violent extremism events.

However, given the complexity of prevention and the myriad environments in which threats materialize, no single program can address the broad range of upstream and downstream factors associated with targeted violence and violent extremism; rather, the problem is multifaceted and requires a vast array of strategies and interventions. These approaches often include early warning systems, community engagement initiatives, educational programs, and rehabilitation efforts. Early warning strategies provide authorities the ability to detect potential threats before they escalate into violent acts. Community engagement initiatives aim to build trust and cooperation between law enforcement and local communities. Educational programs play a vital role in preventing radicalization by promoting critical thinking, tolerance, and respect for diversity among youth. Rehabilitation efforts focus on deradicalizing individuals who have already been influenced by extremist ideologies, providing them with the necessary support to reintegrate into society.

The challenge is to identify which approaches are best suited to the problem set and environment in which they are to be used. VECCTOR (Violent Extremism Conceptual Comparative Tool of Resources), our Phase 1 solution provides policy leaders, schools, and communities seeking prevention to rapidly determine which programs best suit their unique needs given their specific context.

KEY FINDINGS

Occurrences of targeted violence and violent extremism vary significantly across different regions and populations, therefore selecting the intervention best suited to the specific context of each community is crucial. Stakeholders must be able to select targeted interventions that address the root causes of extremism within their communities.

As the number and complexity of available prevention programs continue to increase, stakeholders are finding it more challenging to identify and implement the most suitable programs for their specific needs. This creates a significant burden for stakeholders. At present, stakeholders must scour through myriad resources for the correct program or alternatively select a program based on analytical evidence or their previous exposure to programs that may have worked well in other applications, at the risk of implementing a good program in the wrong context, wasting resources, and diluting impact.

To address this issue, stakeholders need an efficient and reliable method for navigating the growing landscape of prevention programs. The increasing complexity and volume of programs make it difficult for stakeholders to thoroughly evaluate each option, leading to potential mismatches between programs and their intended contexts. This mismatch not only squanders valuable resources but also diminishes the overall effectiveness of prevention efforts.

One major challenge is the time and effort required to search through and assess the multitude of available programs. Stakeholders often lack the capacity to conduct comprehensive reviews of all options, resulting in decisions based on limited information or familiarity with certain programs. This is further exacerbated by the inherent assumption of baseline knowledge assumed by many programs that speak in a highly technical language that is often inaccessible. This can lead to the selection of programs that may have been effective in different settings but are not well-suited to the specific needs and conditions of the new context.

Furthermore, the absence of a streamlined process for program selection increases the risk of overlooking innovative and effective programs that could better address the unique challenges faced by stakeholders. Without a systematic plain language approach, stakeholders may default to familiar programs, missing opportunities to implement more impactful solutions. This inefficiency underscores the need for capabilities that can assist stakeholders in making more informed and contextually appropriate decisions.

Requirements Definition - Filtering, Evaluation, Selection

Clearly there is an urgent need to provide stakeholders with a means to simplify the decision-making process in order to increase the probability of success of a selected prevention program. First, stakeholders require the ability to filter prevention programs based on their specific needs, abilities, and resources. An effective tool must provide structured guidance, enabling stakeholders to identify key factors and priorities relevant to their context. By leveraging targeted plain language questions and criteria, these tools can

meet stakeholders where they are and help them quickly eliminate unsuitable programs and focus on those with the highest potential for success. This accelerated decision-making process would allow for earlier implementation of interventions, which is crucial in mitigating targeted violence and violent extremism.

Second, these tools should facilitate a thorough comparison of shortlisted programs, highlighting the trade-offs and benefits associated with each option. This detailed evaluation process would allow stakeholders to make informed decisions, ensuring that the selected program aligns closely with their goals and resources. Programs that are well-matched to the specific needs and contexts of the communities they serve are more likely to be effective and sustainable. Utilizing a tool that consolidates options and highlights equally suitable interventions enhances stakeholder decision-making, ensuring choices are highly contextually relevant and effective. Such a targeted approach not only saves time but also increases the likelihood of successful outcomes.

THE VECCTOR SOLUTION

The Analytic Exchange Program’s Prevention of Violent Extremism Group under the Department of Homeland Security Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships has designed and developed a Phase I effort to address these requirements: **VECCTOR**, (The Violent Extremism Conceptual Comparative Tool of Resources). VECCTOR is designed to help stakeholders quickly identify the most relevant violent extremism prevention programs by answering a series of plain language questions about their specific situation. VECCTOR is innovative because it enables stakeholders to explore programs that will be most contextually relevant for their specific regions and communities as its core functionality. This localized approach ensures that the selected programs are not only theoretically effective but also practically applicable to the specific challenges faced by each community.

In order to support stakeholders’ ability to filter prevention programs based on their specific needs, abilities, and resources, VECCTOR provides structured guidance through a series of targeted plain language questions and criteria. VECCTOR’s **Customized Filtering Mechanism** is innovative by offering stakeholders tailored recommendations to support program implementation effectiveness and efficiency. This enables stakeholders to quickly eliminate unsuitable programs and focus on those with the highest potential for success. This accelerated decision-making process would enable earlier implementation of interventions, which is crucial in mitigating targeted violence and violent extremism.

In order to facilitate a thorough comparison of shortlisted programs, highlighting the trade-offs and benefits associated with each option, VECCTOR includes a **Comprehensive Comparison Feature** that provides a thorough comparison of shortlisted programs. This innovative feature empowers stakeholders to make well-informed decisions by providing a side-by-side shortlist of similar prevention programs. VECCTOR ensures that stakeholders can understand the trade-offs associated with each program. Specifically, it is critical for stakeholders to explore differences in program cost, method of delivery, and facilitation requirements. This comparison approach not only saves time but also increases the likelihood of successful outcomes, as programs well-matched to the communities they serve are more likely to be effective and sustainable.

VECCTOR offers a comprehensive solution for stakeholders to deconstruct their unique needs without requiring a high-level of technical knowledge. Providing a clear, plain language framework, VECCTOR helps stakeholders filter through the vast array of available prevention programs to find those that best address their unique context. We visualize this process below, which notionally illustrates how our database of programs is filtered based on the community and operational needs supplied by a user. This produces context and mission specific resources that the stakeholder can systematically compare to create a curated set of resources for their use, see Figure 1.

PROCESS FLOW

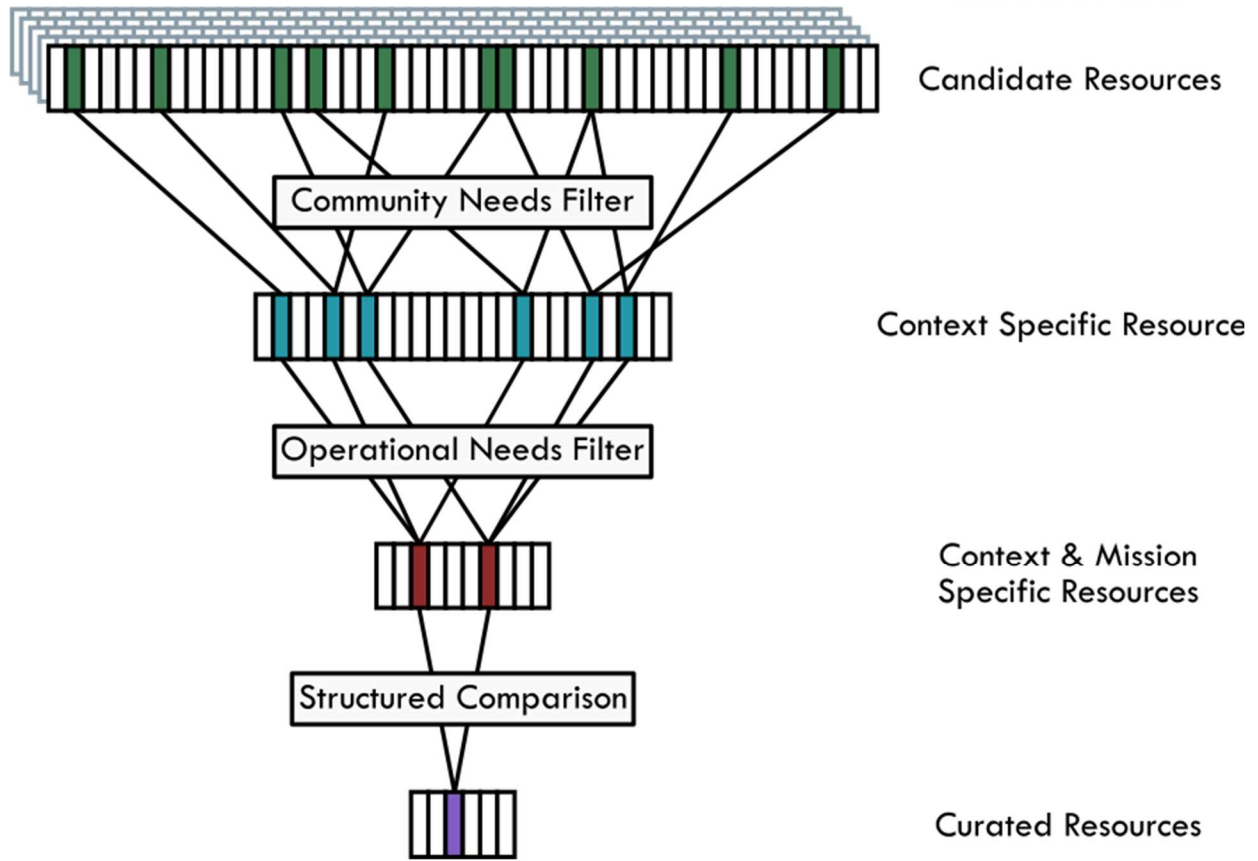


Figure 1: VECCTOR Process Flow

IMMEDIATE AND TANGIBLE BENEFITS TO STAKEHOLDERS USING VECCTOR

Using VECCTOR provides stakeholders with a range of immediate and tangible benefits that significantly enhance their ability to address violent extremism effectively. By streamlining the decision-making process through targeted questions and criteria, VECCTOR enables stakeholders to quickly filter out unsuitable programs and focus on those with the highest potential for success. This not only saves time but also ensures that decisions are well-informed and contextually relevant, as the tool tailors recommendations to the specific needs, abilities, and resources of each community. As a result, interventions are more likely to be effective and sustainable. The user-friendly interface and structured guidance simplify the complexity of program selection, reducing the need for a trial-and-error approach and optimizing resource allocation. This means that funds and efforts are directed towards the most promising programs, minimizing waste and maximizing impact. Moreover, the accelerated decision-making process facilitates earlier implementation of intervention programs, which is crucial in mitigating targeted violence and violent extremism. Enhanced user experience and accessibility ensure that a wide range of stakeholders can easily navigate the tool, making it a valuable resource for diverse users. Continuous feedback mechanisms and the tool's adaptability to emerging needs further ensure that VECCTOR remains effective and relevant over time, continuously improving based on user input and evolving challenges. Overall, VECCTOR empowers stakeholders with the tools they need to make better-informed decisions, leading to higher success rates and more efficient use of resources in the fight against violent extremism.

SOUNDNESS OF THE APPROACH

The VECCTOR approach is based on comprehensive research and structured guidance. It is built on comprehensive research findings that identify the diverse needs and contextual factors driving violent extremism. By grounding the tool in robust data and expert insights, the approach ensures that the solutions provided are relevant and effective. The tool's structured approach to filtering and comparing programs ensures that stakeholders can make informed decisions based on clear criteria and priorities. This reduces the risk of selecting unsuitable programs and enhances the likelihood of successful outcomes. By establishing a Stakeholder Advisory Group in Phase II, the approach ensures continuous feedback and validation from those who will use the tool. This iterative process and continuous improvement will incorporate real-world insights from applications, facilitate adjustments, finetune filters and assessments, and make the tool more reliable and user-friendly.

VECCTOR's conceptualization followed a step-by-step methodology, including data collection, program classification, and algorithm development, following best practices in project management and software development. This systematic approach ensures that each phase of development is manageable and achievable. VECCTOR leverages existing technologies and methodologies that have been proven effective in similar contexts. The use of targeted questions, filtering algorithms, and comparison features are all scalable

solutions that can handle the complexity of the task without requiring groundbreaking new technologies. The built-in validation and verification processes, including Key Performance Indicator (KPI) development and usability testing, ensure that the tool remains effective and relevant. This ongoing refinement process addresses potential issues early and continuously improves the tool's performance and user satisfaction.

VECCTOR DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT APPROACH

The design and development of VECCTOR followed a systematic and detailed process, beginning with knowledge elicitation to gather essential expert insights. This was followed by requirements exploration to define the tool's specific needs. The preliminary design phase translated these requirements into detailed wireframes and mockups, which guided the subsequent program collection and taxonomy development. The prototype development phase created a functional version of the tool, which was then rigorously validated and verified by Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) to ensure it met user needs. This structured and comprehensive approach ensured that VECCTOR was not only practical and innovative but also highly effective in providing stakeholders with a valuable resource for addressing violent extremism. To design and develop VECCTOR, we engaged in 6 tasks:

Task 1: Knowledge Elicitation

Task 2: Requirements Exploration

Task 3: Preliminary Design

Task 4: Program Collection and Taxonomy Development

Task 5: Prototype Development

Task 6: SME Validation and Verification

Task 1: Knowledge Elicitation

The first task in the development of VECCTOR involved gathering insights and expertise from stakeholders and subject matter experts (SMEs) to inform the tool's design. This process included conducting numerous interviews and extensive focus groups with key stakeholders to thoroughly understand the current challenges they faced in selecting and implementing violent extremism prevention programs. The primary goal was to identify key factors, priorities, and contextual variables that significantly influence the effectiveness of these programs. By doing so, we ensured that VECCTOR was built on a robust foundation of real-world insights and comprehensive expert knowledge, which guided its design and functionality.

Task 2: Requirements Exploration

Following the knowledge elicitation phase, the next crucial step defined the specific requirements and features that VECCTOR needed to address the identified challenges effectively. This involved a detailed analysis of the data collected from stakeholders and SMEs. We documented both functional and non-functional requirements, ensuring that every aspect of stakeholder needs was captured. Furthermore, these requirements were meticulously prioritized based on stakeholder input and feasibility studies. This vital step ensured that the subsequent design and development phases were perfectly aligned with the actual user needs, setting clear and achievable objectives for the entire project.

Task 3: Preliminary Design

With the requirements clearly defined, the preliminary design phase commenced, aiming to create an initial design for VECCTOR that met these specified requirements. This phase included the development of detailed wireframes and mockups of the user interface, providing a visual representation of the tool's functionality. Additionally, we designed the overall architecture of the tool, including data flow and interaction models, to ensure seamless integration of all components. A prototype was then created for stakeholder review, facilitating early feedback and necessary adjustments. This phase was essential for translating the documented requirements into a tangible and interactive model, allowing for refinement and improvement before full-scale development began.

Task 4: Program Collection and Taxonomy Development

The fourth task focused on compiling a comprehensive database of existing violent extremism prevention programs and developing a taxonomy to categorize these programs. This involved conducting an exhaustive literature review and an extensive survey of current programs available worldwide. We collected detailed data on program characteristics, target audiences, geographical contexts, and expected outcomes. The taxonomy was developed to categorize programs by intervention type, effectiveness, and relevance to specific contexts, providing a structured foundation for VECCTOR's filtering and comparison features. This

crucial step ensured that the tool could offer stakeholders precise and relevant recommendations.

Task 5: Prototype Development

Building on the preliminary design and program taxonomy, the prototype development phase involved creating a functional prototype of VECCTOR. This included the development of a robust backend system capable of handling data processing and program filtering efficiently. We also created a user-friendly interface with advanced features for filtering, comparison, and visualization. Integration of the comprehensive program database was executed to ensure seamless functionality. The goal of this phase was to produce a working prototype that stakeholders could interact with, providing a tangible version of the tool for final adjustments and validation. This phase laid the groundwork for VECCTOR's final implementation and refinement.

Task 6: SME Validation and Verification

The final task involved validating and verifying VECCTOR with SMEs to ensure it met user needs and expectations comprehensively. This process included conducting detailed review sessions with SMEs, guided by four key questions: identifying the most valuable information and features, assessing user interface and usability expectations, determining appropriate KPIs for success measurement, and ensuring the comprehensiveness of the program database. We provided the following questions to SMEs and analyzed their responses.

1. Recognizing the list of programs and tools we've compiled is not comprehensive; are there any important resources you identify as missing?
2. What specific types of information and features would you find most valuable in a tool like VECCTOR to support program selection and implementation?
3. What are your expectations for the user interface and usability of VECCTOR, and what barriers to accessibility should we consider?
4. How would you measure the success of using VECCTOR? What would be the appropriate KPIs for the aggregator to monitor?

The feedback collected from these sessions was meticulously analyzed and used to refine the prototype, addressing any identified gaps or issues. This validation phase was critical in ensuring that VECCTOR effectively supported the selection and implementation of violent extremism prevention programs.

VECCTOR USER FLOW

1. Initial User Onboarding

When users first access VECCTOR, they are greeted with a welcoming interface that introduces them to the tool's purpose and capabilities. This onboarding process includes a brief tutorial that explains how VECCTOR works and the benefits it provides in matching suitable violent extremism prevention programs based on user input.

2. Contextual Information Input

Once the onboarding is complete, VECCTOR directs users to the main dashboard, where they begin by entering detailed contextual information about their community and the specific challenges they face regarding violent extremism. This step involves answering a series of targeted questions designed to capture critical factors such as regional characteristics, target population demographics, and specific goals for countering extremism in their area. The intuitive interface ensures that this information-gathering process is straightforward and user-friendly, with prompts and examples to assist users as needed. This data would not be stored or used by any government agency or private organization in order to protect user privacy and encourage VECCTOR's use by the public.

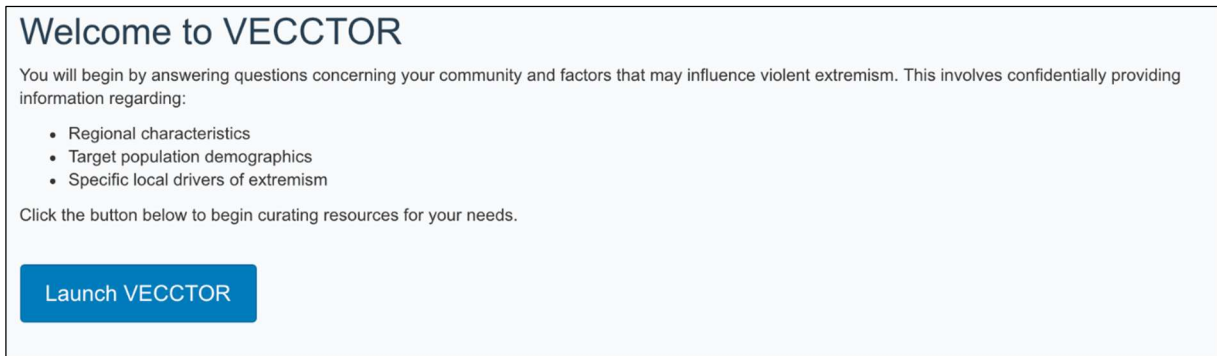


Figure 2: VECCTOR Stakeholder Welcome User Interface

3. Program Filtering

After providing the necessary contextual information, users proceed to the program filtering phase. VECCTOR uses the data entered to generate a list of potential prevention programs that are relevant to the user's specific context. Users can further refine this list by applying additional filters based on specific needs, abilities, and available resources. The interface allows for easy manipulation of filters, providing real-time updates to the list of programs displayed. This dynamic filtering capability ensures that users can quickly narrow down their options to the most promising programs.

Please answer the following questions about your operational needs:

[Immediate Assistance](#)
[Program Objectives](#)
[Current Status](#)
[Available Resources](#)
[Target Audience](#)
[Prevention Experience](#)

What are your goals in implementing a prevention program?

Bystander Awareness, Deradicalization

Select All Deselect All

- Community Resiliency
- Bystander Awareness ✓
- Deradicalization ✓
- Community-based Prevention

Figure 3: VECCTOR Customized Filtering Mechanism.

4. Detailed Program Comparison

With a refined list of potential programs, users move on to the detailed comparison phase. VECCTOR presents a side-by-side comparison of the shortlisted programs, highlighting key features, trade-offs, and benefits associated with each option. This comparison includes metrics such as program effectiveness, sustainability, resource requirements, and alignment with the user’s specific goals. The visual representation of this information is designed to be clear and concise, making it easy for users to weigh their options and make informed decisions.

The following programs may match your needs based on the questionnaire:

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Program.Name	Type.of.Intervention	Target.Audience	Program.Objectives	Program.Cost	Delivery.Mode
1 Advance Peace	Community Engagement	Community Members	Violence Prevention	High	In-Person
2 Aggressors, Victims, and Bystanders	Education/Informational	General Public	Awareness and Education	Low	Online
3 Bay Area UASI: Resource Link	Community Engagement	Community Leaders	Capacity Building	Medium	Hybrid
4 Bringing in the Bystander	Early Intervention/Bystander Training	General Public	Bystander Intervention	Medium	In-Person
5 Building Resilient and Inclusive Communities of Knowledge Toolkit	Education/Informational	Educators, Youth	Countering Violent Extm.	Low	In-Person
6 Cities United	Community Engagement	Community Members	Violence Prevention	High	In-Person
7 Cure Violence Global	Community Engagement	Community Members	Violence Prevention	High	In-Person
8 CVE Resource Library	Education/Informational	General Public	Awareness and Education	Low	Online
9 Developing & Using Critical Comprehension (DUCC)	Digital and Online Safety	Educators, Youth	Online Safety	Low	Hybrid
10 DHS CVE Tool Kit (archived)	Education/Informational	General Public	Awareness and Education	Low	Online

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Figure 4: VECCTOR Comprehensive Comparison Feature

5. Program Selection and Recommendation

Based on the detailed comparisons, users can select the program(s) that best fit their needs. VECCTOR provides a summary of the selected program(s) along with additional resources. This step ensures that users have all the information they need to move forward with confidence. The tool also offers recommendations for next steps, such as connecting

with program providers or accessing further training and support. This comprehensive support helps users transition smoothly from selection to implementation.

6. Feedback and Continuous Improvement

Finally, after implementing the chosen program(s), users are encouraged to provide feedback on their experience with VECCTOR and the effectiveness of the selected programs. This feedback is critical for the continuous improvement of the tool. Users can easily submit their insights through a built-in feedback form. VECCTOR periodically prompts users to update their context and results, ensuring the tool remains relevant and effective over time. This continuous feedback loop helps to refine and enhance the tool, making it an ever-improving resource for stakeholders.

By following this user flow, VECCTOR ensures that stakeholders can efficiently navigate through the tool, from initial setup and contextual information input to program filtering, detailed comparison, selection, and feedback, resulting in well-informed decisions and successful implementation of violent extremism prevention programs.

PRIMARY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PHASE 2

In addition to developing a Stakeholder Advisory Group, Phase II will pursue the following primary recommendations:

1. Development of New Communication Tools and Information Sharing Platforms

To connect, streamline, and more quickly share extremism prevention efforts across the United States, VECCTOR will incorporate advanced communication tools and information-sharing platforms. These platforms will enable real-time collaboration among stakeholders, facilitate the dissemination of best practices, and ensure that up-to-date information on prevention programs is readily accessible. Drawing from lessons learned in similar initiatives like Johns Hopkins Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), these platforms will be designed to enhance connectivity and improve the efficiency of information exchange among practitioners, policymakers, and community leaders.

2. Expanding Exposure in Program Selection

To help practitioners avoid the common pitfall of defaulting to previously known or familiar programs, VECCTOR prioritizes programs based on a "best fit" criteria. This system is designed to objectively assess and recommend programs by evaluating their contextual relevance to the specific needs and conditions of each community or organization. This data-driven approach ensures that the recommendations are not merely based on the popularity or widespread recognition of programs, but rather on their actual suitability and potential effectiveness within the stakeholder's unique context. The system minimizes the influence of familiarity bias, where stakeholders might favor well-known programs simply because they are more familiar, even if those programs are not the most appropriate for the situation at hand.

By focusing on contextual relevance, VECCTOR encourages the consideration of innovative and potentially more effective programs that may otherwise be overlooked. This approach broadens the scope of options available to stakeholders, ensuring a more comprehensive evaluation of possible interventions. Ultimately, this method supports stakeholders in making more informed and impartial decisions, enhancing the likelihood of selecting programs that are truly aligned with their specific goals and challenges.

3. Enhancing Accessibility for Nontraditional Consumers

To ensure that nontraditional consumers of extremism prevention information, such as non-security professionals, parents, and mental and behavioral health providers, can effectively find and understand relevant information, VECCTOR will include tailored interfaces and resources. These features will provide simplified access to critical information and resources suited to their specific needs and roles. By offering user-friendly navigation and search capabilities, VECCTOR will make it easier for these groups to find and utilize prevention programs and information relevant to their contexts.

During Phase II we will explore the following Key Intelligence Questions:

1. What new communication tools or information-sharing platforms can connect, streamline, and more quickly share extremism prevention efforts across the United States?
2. How can practitioners overcome bias in program selection and ensure “best fit” solutions when developing prevention programs?
3. How can nontraditional consumers of extremism prevention information (i.e., non-security professionals, parents, mental and behavioral health providers) more effectively find information relevant to their needs to address targeted violence and extremism?
4. How can technology connect a broad range of extremism prevention professionals to support and sustain complex and evolving programmatic needs?

BENEFITS OF A FULLY SUPPORTED AND IMPLEMENTED

A fully supported and implemented VECCTOR will transform the landscape of violent extremism prevention by empowering stakeholders with the tools they need to make informed, effective decisions. VECCTOR makes this possible by aggregating a comprehensive database of prevention programs and meticulously curating them to match the specific needs, abilities, and resources of each user. This precision in program selection ensures that every intervention is not only suitable but also poised for success, reducing the waste of valuable resources and maximizing impact.

VECCTOR brings clarity and speed to the forefront. With its intuitive interface and structured plain language guidance, stakeholders can navigate VECCTOR with ease, quickly inputting their community’s specific information and receiving a curated list of suitable programs. This efficiency saves critical time, enabling the rapid implementation of interventions that can address urgent threats of targeted violence and violent extremism.

The accessibility of VECCTOR extends its benefits to nontraditional consumers of extremism prevention information, such as non-security professionals, parents, and mental and behavioral health providers. Plain language interfaces and resources ensure that these groups can easily find and utilize the information they need to address targeted violence and extremism effectively. By providing user-friendly navigation and search capabilities, VECCTOR makes critical information accessible to all, empowering a wider range of stakeholders to contribute to prevention efforts.

It is important to note that while VECCTOR's authors have diligently gathered these instruments, they do not claim responsibility for their creation, validation, or efficacy. Although efforts have been made to include reputable sources, the authors cannot guarantee the accuracy, completeness, or suitability of these tools for any particular purpose. Users are advised to exercise their own judgment and discretion when employing these instruments. This transparency ensures that users remain vigilant and proactive in their program selection process.

Expectations for VECCTOR's success is high. With its user-centric design, comprehensive rollout support, and continuous feedback mechanisms, VECCTOR is poised for widespread adoption and significant impact. Measurable improvements in program implementation, strategic planning, and community resilience are anticipated. Key performance indicators such as time to implementation, program fit, and stakeholder satisfaction will provide concrete evidence of VECCTOR's effectiveness, demonstrating its profound impact on community safety and stability.

In conclusion, VECCTOR is not just a tool; it is a catalyst for change in the fight against violent extremism. By aggregating programs from multiple resources, enhancing program selection and implementation, ensuring resource efficiency, and providing tailored support to a diverse range of users, VECCTOR offers a significant step in the prevention of targeted violence and violent extremism.

ANALYTIC DELIVERABLE DISSEMINATION PLAN

Objective:

The primary goal of this plan is to maximize the impact and utility of VECCTOR, a Phase I prototype designed to assist stakeholders in identifying relevant violent extremism prevention programs. This plan seeks to engage key stakeholders in the development of Phase II, ensuring the tool's enhancements align with real-world needs. The following are targets for dissemination after a fully formed and developed Phase III system.

Target Organizations:

1. Advance Peace
2. Aggressors, Victims, and Bystanders
3. Bay Area UASI: Resource Link
4. Bringing in the Bystander
5. Cities United
6. Cure Violence Global
7. CVE Resource Library
8. DHS CVE Tool Kit (archived)
9. Kofi Annan Foundation initiatives
10. Ethic
11. Exit USA
12. Extreme Dialogue
13. GCERF
14. Green Dot Training
15. Handbook on Children Recruited by Terrorist Groups
16. Harvard CSE-Lab
17. HAYAT
18. Hedayah Center (UAE)
19. Incredible Years
20. International Alert
21. Internet Matters
22. Invent 2 Prevent
23. Kidscape
24. Life After Hate
25. Living Safe Together (Australia)
26. Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP)

27. Helping Victims of Mass Violence and Terrorism
28. Peacemakers' Toolkit
29. Building Resilient Communities Toolkit
30. K-12 Bystander Reporting Toolkit
31. Screen Hate Campaign
32. Violence Prevention Network, USA – RESTORE Project
33. The TRUST Network
34. Strong Cities Network
35. Developing & Using Critical Comprehension (DUCC)

Key Deliverables: The key deliverables for this dissemination plan include:

VECCTOR Analytical Report: Detailed insights and assessments of existing prevention programs that align with the needs of different communities and regions.

Summary Briefings: Targeted summaries highlighting key findings and actionable recommendations for each organization.

Webinars and Workshops: Interactive sessions to demonstrate VECCTOR's capabilities, gather feedback, and discuss the integration of the tool in real-world scenarios.

Infographics and Visual Data: Visual aids that simplify complex data and findings, making them easily accessible and understandable.

Dissemination Strategies: To effectively disseminate the findings and facilitate engagement, a multi-channel approach will be utilized:

Direct Engagement: We will initiate direct communication with each organization via emails and newsletters, distributing the VECCTOR Analytical Report and Summary Briefings. Dedicated virtual meetings and webinars will be organized to present findings, provide training, and collect feedback. Workshops will also be offered to ensure key personnel fully understand the prototype and can provide valuable insights for Phase II development.

Digital Channels: Although VECCTOR is currently a Phase I prototype and not yet a full-fledged platform, we will provide organizations with access to digital resources and tools relevant to the VECCTOR findings. Social media and online channels will be

used to disseminate infographics, summary insights, and updates on engagement opportunities such as webinars and workshops.

Stakeholder Advisory Group: A key component of the dissemination plan is the formation of a Stakeholder Advisory Group. This group will consist of representatives from the engaged organizations and will play a critical role in providing continuous feedback, guiding the refinement of VECCTOR, and ensuring the tool’s alignment with the practical needs of the field. The advisory group will meet regularly to review progress, share experiences, and discuss the future direction of VECCTOR.

Evaluation and Feedback: Feedback forms and surveys will be distributed to gather input on the relevance and effectiveness of the VECCTOR deliverables. An impact analysis will be conducted to assess the outcomes of the implemented recommendations and to identify areas for improvement. This feedback will be crucial in shaping the development of Phase II.

Timeline: The dissemination activities will be divided into three phases:

Phase 1 (Months 1-2): Initial distribution of reports and briefings, and the formation of the Stakeholder Advisory Group.

Phase 2 (Months 3-4): Webinars, workshops, and direct engagement sessions to gather feedback and facilitate discussions on VECCTOR's use and potential improvements.

Phase 3 (Month 5): Collection of feedback, impact analysis, and planning for Phase II development.

This dissemination plan is designed to ensure that VECCTOR’s initial insights and recommendations are effectively communicated and utilized. By actively engaging stakeholders through a variety of channels and forming a dedicated advisory group, the plan seeks to refine the tool and enhance its future iterations, ultimately supporting more effective prevention of violent extremism

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