In 2017, CCOE gained considerable momentum in workforce development, creating new business opportunities and fostering collaboration in the cyber community. In tandem, we evolved our website, communications strategy and social media channels to connect with the cyber community. These efforts helped elevate San Diego to the up-and-coming cyber ‘Silicon Valley’ with high-ranking state, national and international information warriors. Our Secure San Diego cyber preparedness and workforce collaboration between the public, private, academic, government and military sectors is being touted as a template to mobilize other regions, fostering greater national security.

We thank you for your continued support in advancing the region’s cyber workforce, infrastructure and global market share for a robust industry that already supplies 16,500 jobs and invests $1.9 billion into San Diego’s economy. Here’s to our next milestones!

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SECURE SAN DIEGO

COCOE and Mayor Kevin Faulconer announced Secure San Diego to facilitate collaboration between the region’s cyber industry, academia, local government, utilities, transportation, law enforcement and military to create a more secure cyber environment and position San Diego as a leader in collaborative innovation.

The culminating event during National Cyber Security Awareness Month featured William R. Forstchen, bestselling author of One Second After, to highlight planning, we’re hearing coordinating efforts to actually be proactive rather than reactive.

TALENT PIPELINE

COCOE’s San Diego Cyber Job Board hosted more than 1,500 applications for 28 positions across the region. Our 10-12 Cyber Specific Graduates is part of our CCOE team to create a more secure cyber environment.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE – CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER TOUR

CCOE, EDC and SPAWAR hosted the US DoD, Air Force, Army, Marine and Navy CIOs, the NIST Director and 6 CIOs from key partner nations (Canada, UK, Germany, Japan, Australia and New Zealand) for a first of its kind tour of San Diego’s cyber industry. A special thank you to our academic collaborators - Qualcomm, Quibitekk, UC San Diego and Webroot companies. AttackIQ, FICO, iboss, Illumina, KnuEdge and key San Diego companies. AttackIQ, FICO, iboss, Illumina, KnuEdge, Qualcomm, Quibitekk and UC San Diego - thank you for making San Diego’s cyber ecosystem, research and education and the region’s cyber industry so special.

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