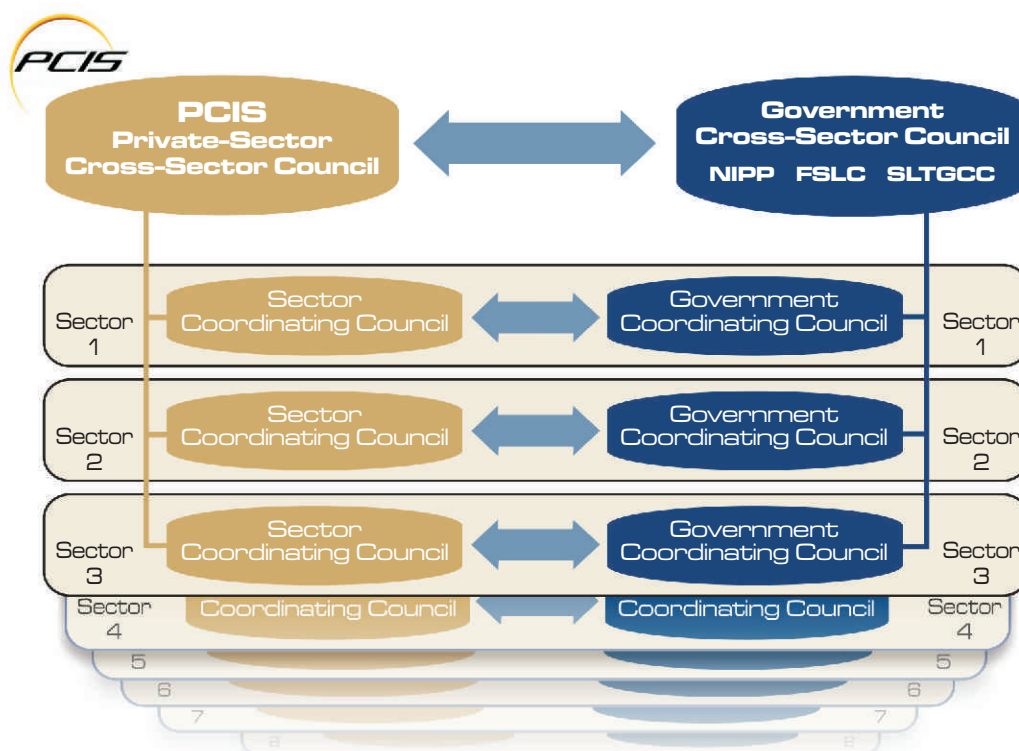


Partnership for Critical Infrastructure Security

The Partnership for Critical Infrastructure Security (PCIS) is a unique organization that enables asset owners and operators of the Nation's most critical infrastructures to collaborate on cross-sector and interdependency issues. PCIS provides a forum to build trusted and active collaboration across sectors that aim to improve emergency readiness and build safe, secure, and resilient infrastructures. PCIS was designated as the Private Sector Cross-Sector Council in the Department of Homeland Security's National Infrastructure Protection Plan (NIPP) to provide leadership on cross-sector initiatives and critical infrastructure planning.

As emergency management and security challenges continue to evolve, there is a clear need to enhance protection and resilience across each sector and throughout supply chains. The sector partnership framework, described in the NIPP, provides an unprecedented comprehensive approach that closes communication gaps among security partners within the sectors and with government. It promotes public-private collaboration and information sharing by ensuring that sector interests are represented through 17 Sector Coordinating Councils (SCC) and government interests are represented through corresponding Government Coordinating Councils (GCC).^{*} Each SCC represents the owners and operators of critical infrastructure and services of the sector. Because PCIS is represented by the leadership from each of the SCCs, it serves as an entry point for both government and private interests to seek guidance, support, and collaboration on efforts to develop and implement protective measures.

PCIS actively engages security partners in addressing critical protection issues that span across sectors. With this focus, PCIS promotes public-private partnerships as the most effective way to align the interests of business, government, and the American people to achieve the common goal of enhancing critical infrastructure resilience and supporting homeland security.

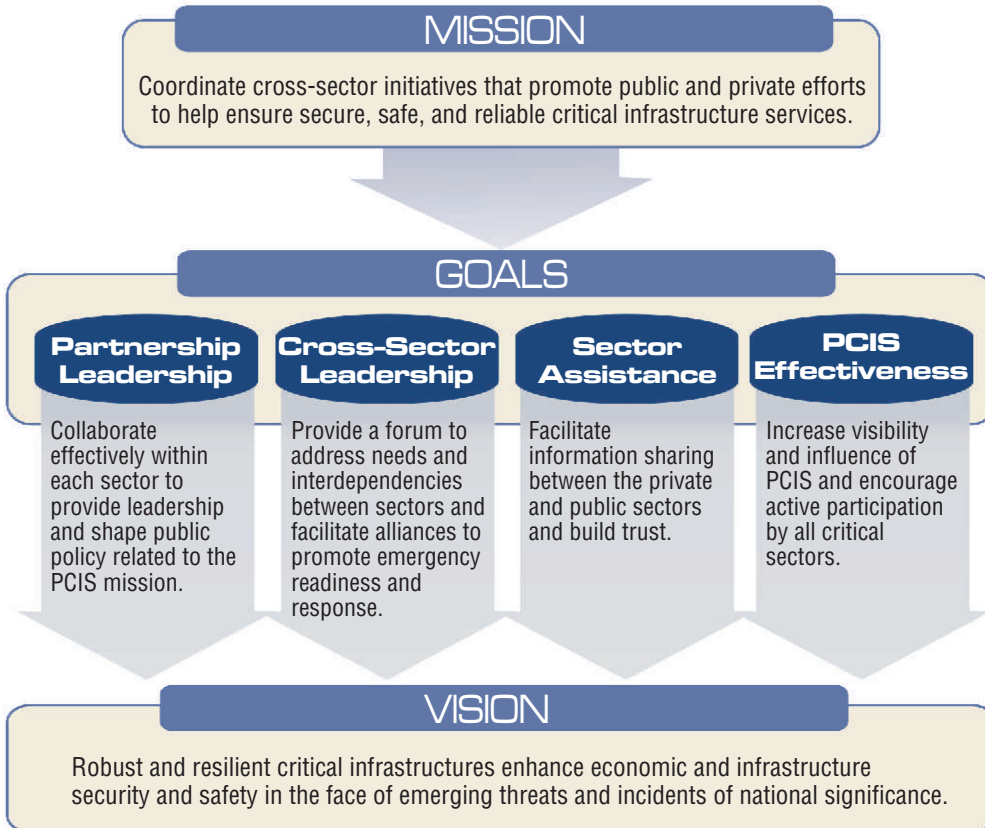


^{*}The Homeland Security Act of 2002 calls for a coordinated national effort to enhance the protection of the critical infrastructures and key resources of the United States. Homeland Security Presidential Directive 7 requires federal departments and agencies, state and local governments, and the private sector to identify, prioritize, and coordinate the protection of 17 critical infrastructures and key resources.

PCIS has forged responsible and productive partnerships based on three core principles:

1. Promote effective partnerships that improve coordination, cooperation, and communication.
2. Promote a comprehensive, all-hazards, all-threats approach to infrastructure protection.
3. Promote a non-regulatory approach to advancing security and resilience of the sectors.

The PCIS Business Plan 2007–2009 builds on these principles to deliver a cohesive strategy to ensure that robust and resilient critical infrastructures enhance economic and infrastructure security and safety in the face of emerging threats and incidents.



The current PCIS member sectors encourage all critical sectors to join with them to achieve its mission of secure, safe, and reliable critical infrastructure services for the Nation.

- Banking and Finance
- Chemical
- Commercial Facilities
- Communications
- Dams, Locks, and Levees
- Defense Industrial Base
- Emergency Services
- Energy — Electricity
- Energy — Oil and Natural Gas
- Food and Agriculture
- Public Health and Healthcare
- Information Technology
- Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste
- Postal and Shipping
- Transportation — Aviation
- Transportation — Highway and Motor Carrier
- Transportation — Public Transit
- Transportation — Rail
- Water



The Partnership for Critical Infrastructure Security Inc. is a private sector, non-profit organization formed in 1999 to address cross-sector and interdependency issues of critical infrastructure owners and operators. For more information, visit our website at www.pcis.org.