REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS BOARD MEETING AUGUST 24, 2023



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SC WIRELESS 911 PROGRAM UPDATE



SC STATEWIDE ESINET – 2023 STATISTICS

| | Count |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Physical PSAP Count | 37 |
| Hosted CHE/CPE Count | 24 |
| On-Premise CHE/CPE Count | 13 |
| 9-1-1 Call Count Jan-Jul 2023 | 442,602 |

PSAP – Public Safety Answering Point

CHE – Call Handling Equipment

CPE – Call Processing Equipment



GROUP 6.5 – TENTATIVE MIGRATION DATES

| PSAP | Migration Date | Migration Time Scheduled |
|--|----------------|--|
| Fairfield County Emergency Management | 09.06.2023 | 7am – 4pm (Date Change/Vendor Delay) |
| Kershaw County Public Safety Primary & Backup | 10.03.2023 | 7am – 4pm |
| Cherokee County Department of Communications Primary & Backup | 10.17.2023 | 7am – 4pm |
| Saluda County Sheriff's Office | 10.24.2023 | 7am – 4pm |
| Union County Dispatch Primary & Backup | 10.31.2023 | 8am – 5pm |
| Edgefield County Sheriff's Office | 11.07.2023 | 6am – 3pm |
| Dorchester County 9-1-1 | 11.14.2023 | 6am – 3pm (Date Change/Facility Delay) |



SC ESINET MIGRATIONS THROUGH NOVEMBER 2023





FCC PROPOSED RULING

- The FCC has proposed a ruling to expedite the transition to NG911 technology by:
 - Authorizing the state 911 authority to determine the most cost-effective process for local exchange carriers to deliver 911 traffic in the proper format to the ESInet within six months of a request
- RFA, along with agencies from seven other states, provided comments to the FCC in support of this proposed ruling.
- Final comments must be submitted by September 8, 2023, after which time a final decision on the proposed ruling may be forthcoming.



REIMBURSEMENT POLICY

- The introduction of costly and optional services and features in the 911 community are increasing pressure on the wireless 911 fund balance.
- A workgroup of members appointed by the SC 911 Advisory Committee is working in conjunction with the SC Office of Inspector General to evaluate long-term solutions for the Reimbursement Policy.
- In the meantime, more immediate changes to the policy are necessary to manage costs and incentivize vendors to negotiate optimal pricing models with the PSAPs.
- RFA is requesting approval for the following updates to the Reimbursement Policy:
 - Require reimbursement requests be submitted within two years of the date an invoice is first paid.
 - Standardize all reimbursements at 80% for any requests submitted on or after October 1, 2023.
 Remove the "carve-outs" at 100% to incentivize effective cost management.
 - Revise the list of items eligible for reimbursement and ensure items not on the list require review and approval from both the SC 911 Advisory Committee and RFA.

• Allows the opportunity to evaluate high-cost, optional items prior to committing funds from the wireless fee.



FY 2024-25 BUDGET PLAN



ANTICIPATED BUDGET REQUEST FOR FY 2024-25

- General Funds \$650,000
 - \$500,000 to implement statutory responsibilities of H. 3726, the Statewide Education and Workforce Development Act (<u>https://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess125_2023-</u> 2024/fiscalimpactstatements/H3726%202023-01-18%20introduced.pdf)
 - \$150,000 operating budget to cover cyber security insurance and data center relocation
- Other Funds (Earmarked) authorization increase (*no new funds requested*) for \$500,000

 Personnel budget to cover adjustment for multiple years of legislative increases, promotions, and equity
- Other Funds (Restricted) authorization increase (*no new funds requested*) for \$5,000,000
 - Increase authorization to account for NG911 contractual obligations, increased distributions for wireless call volume, and reimbursements to local PSAPs for eligible expenses
- Add Proviso 103.6 (RFAO: Revenue Forecast) For Fiscal Year 2024-25, Section 11-9-1130(A) of the 1976 Code shall be suspended (allows for extension of November revenue forecast)



COUNTY BOUNDARY PROGRAM UPDATE



COUNTY BOUNDARY PROGRAM – STATUS MAP





APPROVAL OF AGENCY HEAD FY 2022-23 EVALUATION AND FY 2023-24 PLANNING STAGE

(POSSIBLE CLOSED SESSION $\S30-4-70(a)(1)$)



OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION



THANK YOU

