
FISCAL UPDATE Article

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IOWA 911 COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL MEETING — DECEMBER 2023

Meeting. The 911 Communications Council met on December 14, 2023, at the Dallas County Human Services Campus in Adel. A recording of the meeting is available [here](#).

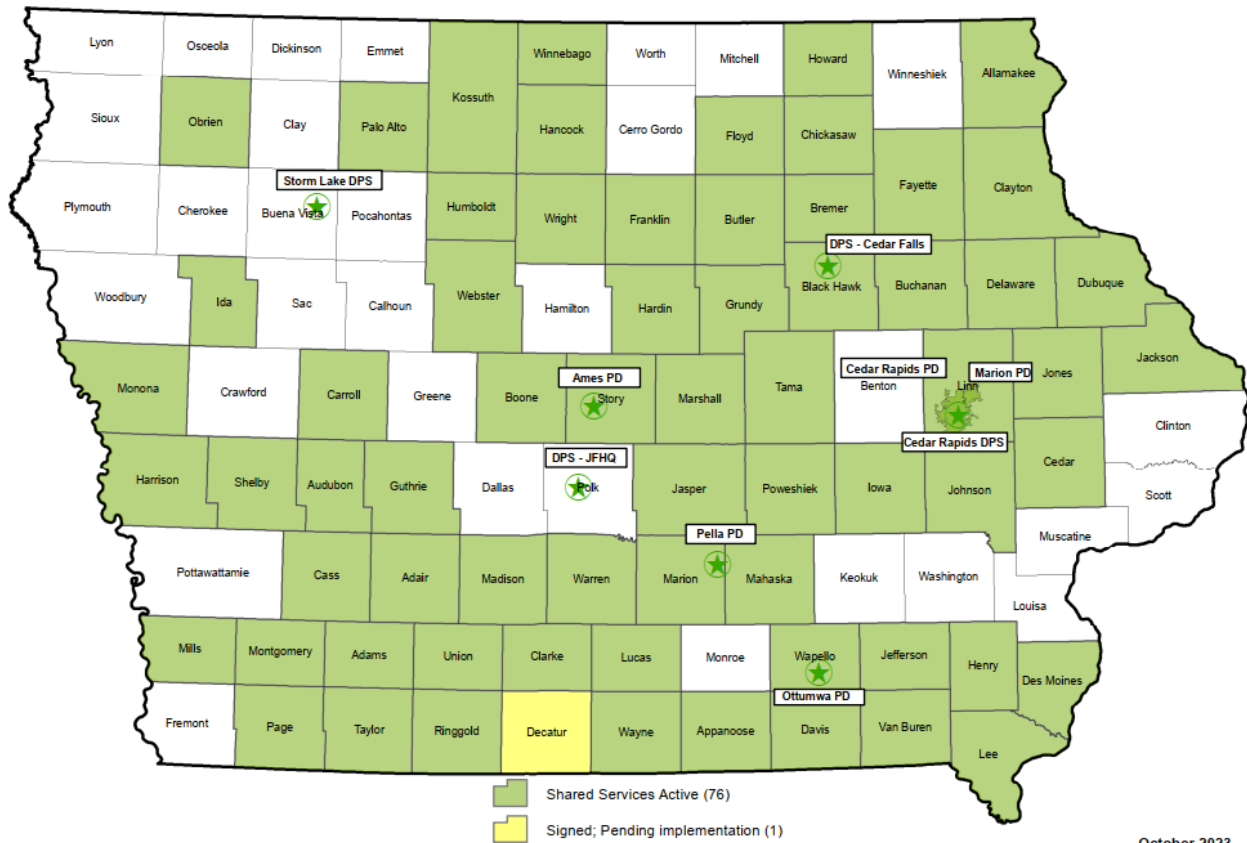
911 Program Financial Report and Program Update. Blake DeRouchey, 911 Program Manager and State Administrator at the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEMD), provided the Council with the following updates on the 911 Program and its current financial standing:

- US Cellular Samsung S20 Series issue discussion.
- The required 911 annual report for the legislature has been submitted. The report can be found [here](#).
- A reminder will be sent out for the required Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) forms which will be due in the second half of the month of December.
- **Geographic Information System (GIS) Grants.** In FY 2024 Q1, counties received a total of \$321,000 in GIS grant funding. Funding is contingent on verification that the applicant possesses 98.0% match rates with GIS and 98.0% match rates with the Automatic Location Identification (ALI) system. In November 2023, all counties met the benchmarks. Data is updated/uploaded monthly.
- **Training Fund Requests.** No training fund requests were received for this month.

Shared Services Update. The HSEMD awarded Zetron NG911 contracts in December 2017 and July 2022 for shared 911 call-handling equipment. Zetron also provides a call-taking system that offers computer-aided design (CAD), 911 mapping, and emergency medical dispatch software in implementing NG911 protocols and systems. Decatur County will become an active shared services location in 2024.

Figure 1 displays the current number of active shared services locations in the State by county.

Figure 1 — Current Active Shared Services Locations (by County)



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Source: HSEMD

Iowa Statewide Interoperable Communications System (ISICS) Board Update. Haley Nichols, Statewide Interoperability Coordinator (SWIC), reported on several items.

Emergency Communications Coordinator Report. Chris Maier, Emergency Communications Coordinator of the federal Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), reported on the following items:

- A confirmed compromise with one of the national interoperability encryption keys.
- Priority Telecommunications Services.
- Shields Ready.
- Regional news.

Information Sharing. Council members reported on the following items:

- The telecommunicator of the year forms are available [here](#). Additional awards are also being implemented.
- The NENA/APCO lobby day at the Iowa State Capitol is February 27, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Next Meeting. The next Council meeting will be held on January 11, 2024, at the Dallas County Human Services Campus in Adel.

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