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IOWA 911 COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL MEETING — SEPTEMBER 2022

Meeting. The 911 Communications Council met on September 8, 2022, at the Dallas County Human Services Campus in Adel. A recording of the meeting is available [here](#).

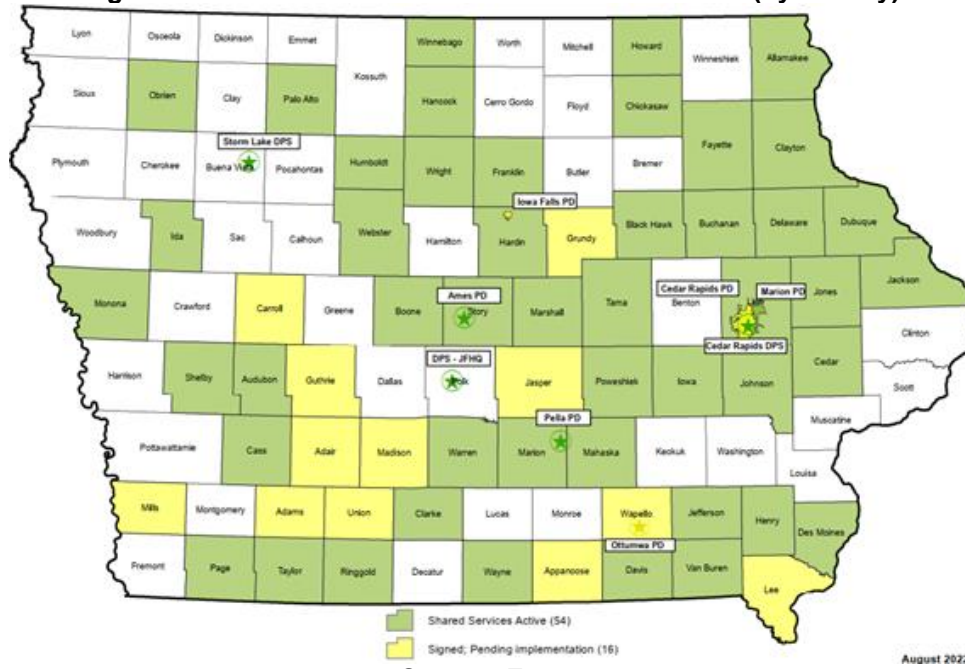
Geographic Information System (GIS) Grants. Blake DeRouchey, 911 Program Manager and State Administrator at the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEMD), provided an update on GIS grants. There are currently 82 counties eligible to receive GIS grants. The grants will be paid out on October 1, 2022. In the second funding period of FY 2022 (January through June), 98 counties received GIS funding for a total of \$648,000. Funding is contingent on verification that the applicant possesses 98.0% match rates with GIS and 95.0% match rates with the Automatic Location Identification (ALI) system.

Travel, Public Education, and Training Fund. The Council receives \$100,000 annually from the 911 Wireless Surcharge Fund to cover travel costs for the Council and to assist with public education and training costs for public safety answering points (PSAPs). The Council approved two trainings. The first is a \$2,000 training from the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO) titled "Be an Encourager in the Communications Center." The second is a \$5,000 training from the National Emergency Number Association (NENA) titled "Basic De-Escalation." As of September 9, 2022, approximately \$93,000 remains to be expended.

Shared Services Update. Lynne Warren, Zetron Project Manager, discussed Zetron's work in updating the 112 existing PSAPs in delivering the Next Generation 911 (NG911) solution. Shared services have been fully implemented in 54 PSAPs, and 16 PSAPs are in the implementation process. The HSEMD awarded Zetron NG911 contracts in December 2017 and in 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. Cedar County began using the shared services system on August 17, 2022; Taylor County began on August 24, 2022; and Clarke County began on August 31, 2022. Adams County is scheduled to start using the shared services system on September 14, 2022; Adair County is scheduled to start on September 21, 2022; Appanoose County is scheduled to start on September 28, 2022; and Madison County is scheduled to start on October 12, 2022.

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

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



Source: Zetron

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Next Meeting. The next Council meeting will be held on October 13, 2022. The location of the meeting remains to be determined.

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