## **FISCAL UPDATE Article**

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## IOWA 911 COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL MEETING — MAY 2024

**Meeting.** The 911 Communications Council met on May 9, 2024, at the Dallas County Human Services Campus in Adel. A recording of the meeting is available <a href="here">here</a>.

**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:

- 911 Program Financial Reports were discussed.
- The 911 Quarterly Expenditure Report was discussed. The latest 911 Quarterly Report is available here.
- Two bills were noted for the Council from the 2024 Legislative Session. These included:
  - Senate File 2385 (State Government Boards and Commissions Bill)
  - House File 2652 (School Safety Plans and Improvements, Appropriations Bill)
- Policy Route Funding Lookup Training was discussed.
- The federal Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) and HSEMD swatting poster was discussed.
- Surcharge discussions will start in May and a workgroup will be formed.
- Geographic Information System (GIS) grants: In FY 2024 Q3, 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 May 2024, all counties met benchmarks.

**Shared Services Update:** The HSEMD awarded Zetron Next-Generation 911 (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. Pottawattamie County has become an active shared services location for call taking.

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

Lyon Dickinson Palo Alto Cerro Gordo Chickasaw Floyd Storm Lake DPS Clayton Buena Vista Pocahontas Wright Franklin Butter DPS - Cedar Falls Calhoun Cedar Rapids PD Marion PD Jones Ames PD Carrol Clintor DPS - JFHQ **Ho**lk Scott Pella PD Cass Adalr Washington Shared Services Active (77) Signed; Pending implementation (1) March 2024

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

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

**Emergency Communications Coordinator Report.** Chris Maiers, Emergency Communications Coordinator of the federal CISA, reported on several items including Akira Ransomware, North Korean Spearphishing, Directory Traversal Vulnerability Alert, and regional news.

**Next Meeting.** The next Council meeting will be held on June 13, 2024, at the Dallas County Human Services Campus in Adel.

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