



EMPOWERING MARION FOR SUCCESS II

Public Safety Communications (PSC)

FY 24/25 – 1st Quarter Accomplishments (October - December):

Public Safety

1. Radio System Refurbishment/Expansion of Existing Infrastructure and equipment Upgrades
 - a. Successfully installed updated radio systems into all Marion County Public Schools (MCPS) buses which enabled them to be tracked in real time via Motorola Command Central Aware.
 - b. Finished deployment of new Motorola APX Next XE radios; enabling first responders to be GPS tracked in real time and ensuring a more accurate location in case of emergency.
 - c. New technology in Motorola APX Next XE radios ensures better functionality inside building where signal was previously limited by utilizing Wifi and LTE.
 - d. Dunnellon radio tower successfully cut over from ASR to Simulcast.
2. Inter-Local Agreement (ILA) and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Development
 - a. ILA completed for MCPS and PSC
 - b. Revised MOU addressing radio SSID access sent to legal for final approval

FY 24/25 – 2nd Quarter Goals (January - March):

Public Safety

1. Radio System Refurbishment/Expansion of Existing Infrastructure and equipment Upgrades
 - a. Continued progress and completion of the new radio towers located in Marion Oaks, Newton Recycling, and Salt Springs.
 - b. Regular maintenance of all radio towers throughout Marion County to reduce equipment malfunctions and ensure effective communication amongst radio users.
2. Accreditation
 - a. PSC is working on our Emergency Police Dispatch (EPD) accreditation and hope to attain it in the coming months.
3. Special Events - Rock the Country
 - a. PSC will be contributing to the Rock the Country planning committee, providing constructive feedback, and to make sure all agencies have the necessary radio equipment, CAD functionality, and real time tracking resources to prepare for such a large-scale event.