# ECC MANAGEMENT BOARD 02/21/2023 MEETING PACKET



Charlottesville-UVA-Albemarle County Emergency Communications Center 2306 lvy Rd. Charlottesville, VA 22903

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## 4.1) Productivity Report



## Charlottesville-UVA-Albemarle County Emergency Communications Center Productivity Report

Quarter 4 / October - December 2022

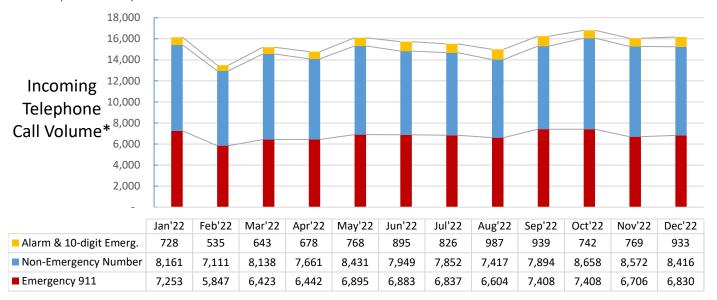
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#### **About This Report**

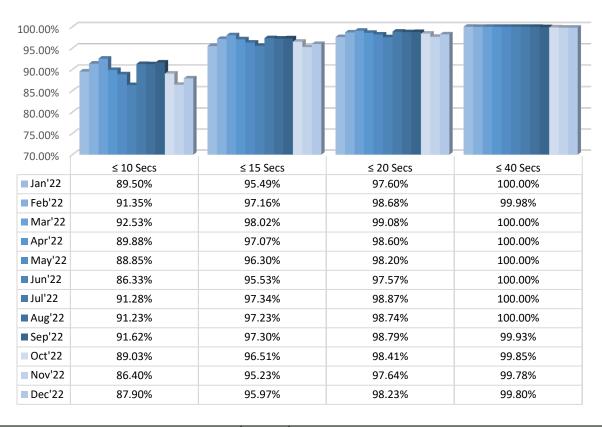
This report was developed to provide ongoing summary of the workload activity and operations of the Charlottesville-UVA-Albemarle County Emergency Communications Center in serving residents, businesses, visitors, students, police, and fire/rescue agencies.

### I. Telephone System Statistics



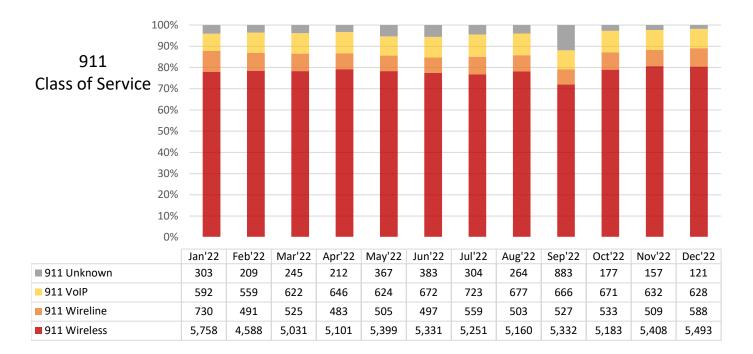
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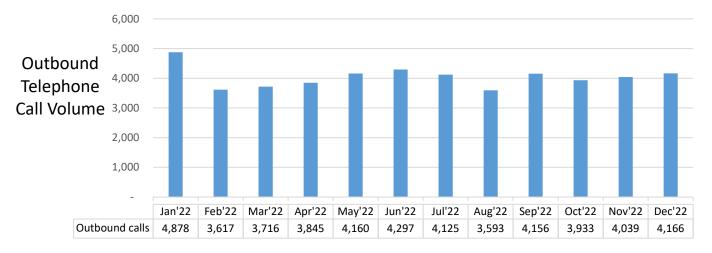
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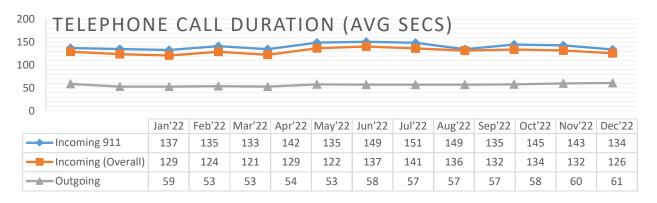


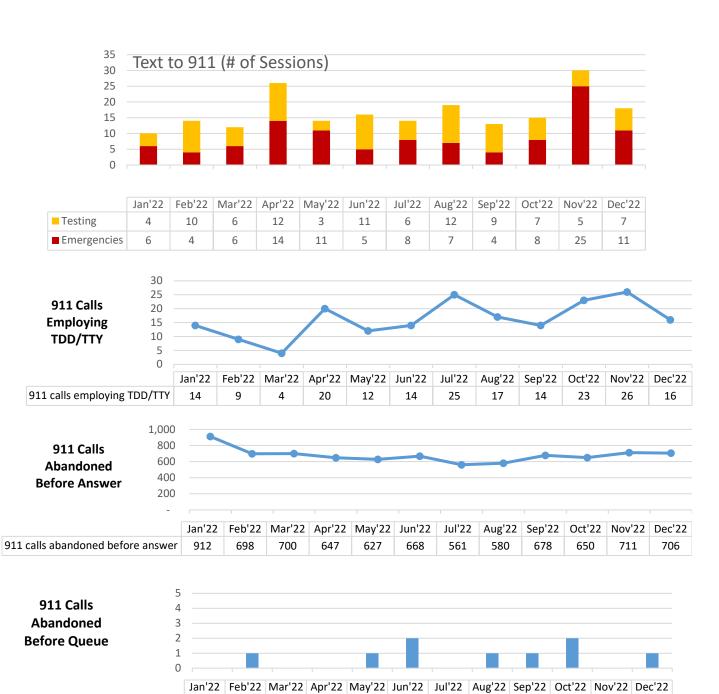
Standard	Met	Comments
Ninety percent (90%) of all 9-1-1 calls arriving at the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP)		The ECC consistently meets and exceeds this standard, answering 95- 98% of all 9-1-1 calls within fifteen seconds.
SHALL be answered within (≤) fifteen (15) seconds (NENA- STA-020.1-2020, 9-1-1 Call Processing Standard)		50/5 Grain 5 1 1 dails Midmin inteen seconds.
Ninety-five (95%) of all 9-1-1 calls SHOULD be answered within (≤) twenty (20) seconds (NENA-STA-020.1-2020, 9-1-1 Call Processing Standard)	≪	The ECC consistently meets and exceeds this standard, answering 97-99% of all 9-1-1 calls within twenty seconds.

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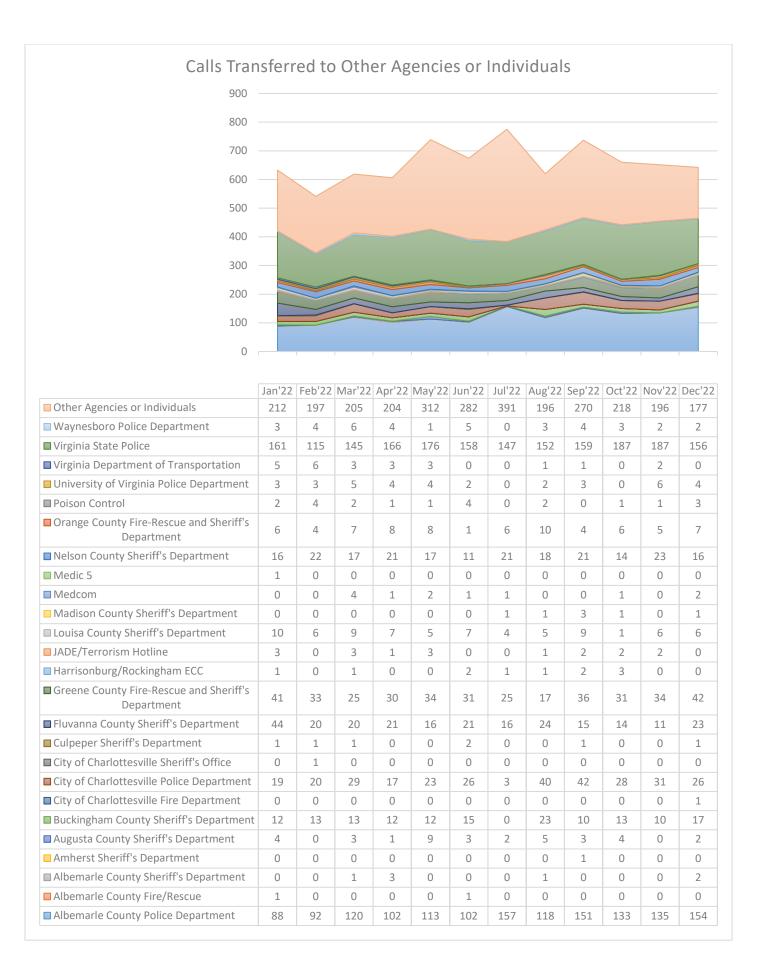






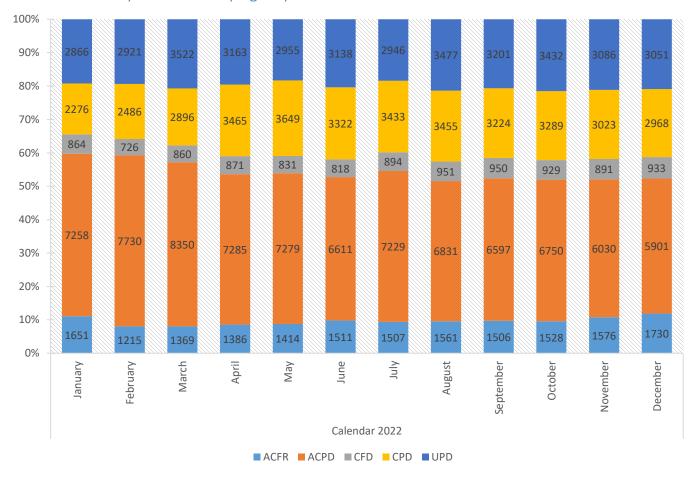


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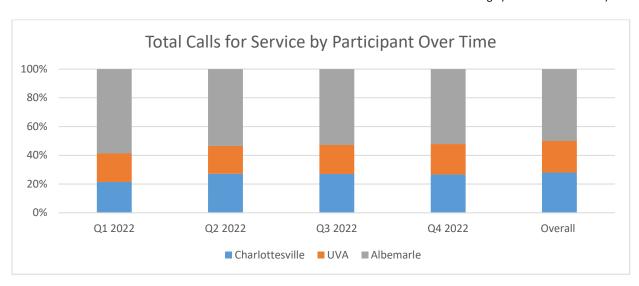


### II. CAD System Statistics

#### Calls for Service by Month and by Agency



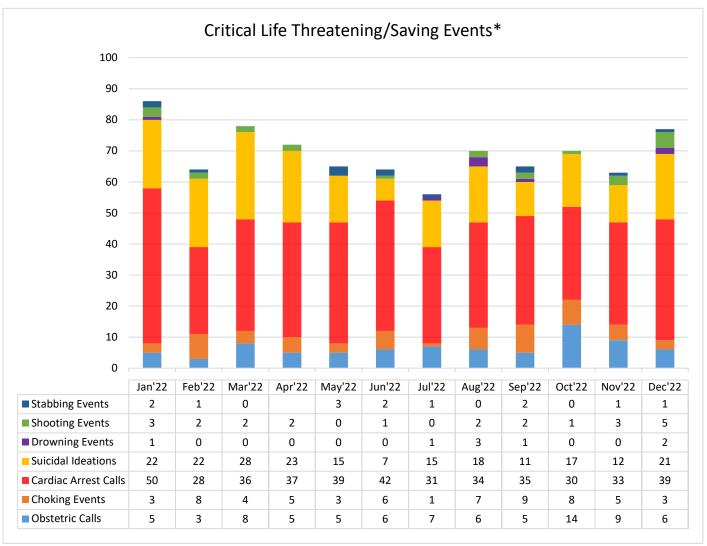
\*Excluding a) canceled calls and b) test call types.



Participant	Q1 2022	Q2 2022	Q3 2022	Q4 2022	Overall
Charlottesville	10,108 (24.66%)	12,956 (27.16%)	12,907 (27.02%)	12,033 (26.67%)	48,004 (25.59%)
UVA	9,309 (22.71%)	9,256 (19.41%)	9,624 (20.15%)	9,569 (21.21%)	37,758 (20.13%)
Albemarle	27,573 (67.27%)	25,486 (53.43%)	25,231 (52.83%)	23,515 (52.12%)	101,805 (54.28%)

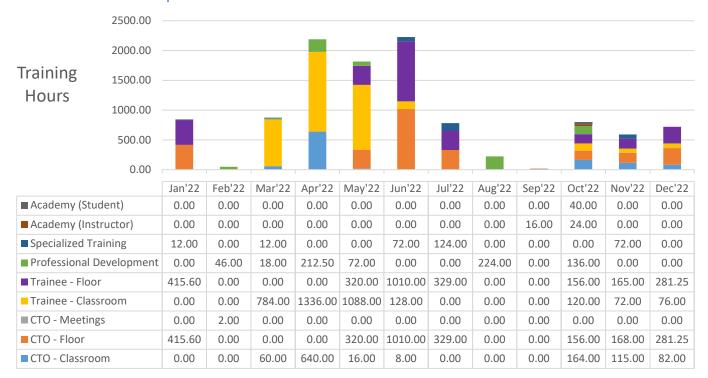
<sup>\*</sup>Percentages displayed are calls per participant per quarter

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<sup>\*</sup>Statistics are based on remarks entered in CAD and final event types. 'Suicidal Ideations' label and definition has been updated as of Q4 2022 to include any call where field responders were dispatched for expressed suicidal ideations and attempted or completed suicides.

### III. Performance Improvement



Legend	
Specialized Training	Employee (non-trainee) time spent in training for NICE, CAD, and related/similar in-services
<b>Professional Development</b>	Employee (non-trainee) time spent in APCO, VACAP Conferences, County class offerings, and other PD
Trainee – Floor	Trainee time spent paired with a trainer
Trainee – Classroom	Trainee time spent in orientation, training, ride-alongs, etc.
CTO – Meetings	Communications Training Officer time spent planning meetings and collaboration related to training program
CTO – Floor	Communications Training Officer time spent paired with a trainee
CTO – Classroom	Communications Training Officer hours off-site at Academy for instruction and on-site staff training programs; Q4
	2022 includes all in-house academy instructional hours

#### IV. Accreditation

#### CALEA: The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies

Successful CALEA Accreditation has been an established accomplishment for the agency since November 18, 2006. The standards presented by the Commission allow for the agency to maintain and exceed benchmark expectations in all aspects of emergency telecommunications. Continual pursuit of improvement and properly identifying development opportunities gives the agency the ability to rise to the expectations of the community and field responders. Through policy creation and maintenance, agency structure, performance measurements, and operational procedures, the entire ECC team works together to overcome both new and ongoing challenges. Accreditation allows us to quantify that success and continue moving forward positively.

Reaccreditation: November 18, 2009 Reaccreditation: November 18, 2012 Reaccreditation: November 18, 2015 Reaccreditation: November 18, 2019

Current Cycle: 2019-2023

Year 1 (2019-2020) Web-Based Assessment	November 6-14, 2020
Year 2 (2020-2021) Web-Based Assessment	November 5-13, 2021
Year 3 (2021-2022) Web-Based Assessment	January 20-28, 2023
Year 4 (2022-2023) Web-Based Assessment	June 2-10, 2023
Site-Based Hybrid Reaccreditation Assessment	August 17-19, 2023
Anticipated Reaccreditation Award	November 18, 2023

CALEA Chapter	Number of Standards	Number of Proofs and Attachments	Number of Tasks Associated
1 - Organization	33	221	516
2 - Direction and Supervision	37	319	742
3 - Human Resources	30	276	204
4 - Recruitment, Selection, and Promotion	27	178	238
5 - Training	20	205	164
6 - Operations	52	442	356
7 - Critical Incidents, Special Operations, and Homeland Security	9	54	60

#### International Academies of Emergency Dispatch: Accredited Center of Excellence

The ECC is in the process of identifying and pursuing updates and improvements to the Quality Assurance program, with the goal to attain IAED's Tri-ACE Accreditation within medical, fire, and police emergency dispatch protocols. Adherence to this accreditation will ensure the agency is maintaining high operational standards regarding community and responder needs and safety. We will continue to apprise the Board of developments with this commitment as we move forward.



## 4.2) Finance and Budget Reports





To: Sonny Saxton, Executive Director

From: Josh Powell, Deputy Director-Support Services

Date: February 8, 2023

**Subject:** FY2023 Budget Snapshot

All amounts are current as of February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, as reported in and sourced from the Albemarle County Financial Transaction Files and AADR report.

#### **FY2023 Budget Snapshot**

Department	Original Budget	Current Budget*	Actual Expenditures**	Encumbrances	Balance	% Expended
32110 - ECC-Operations	\$7,125,139	\$7,663,149	\$4,029,756	\$993,172	\$2,640,221	65.5%
32120 - Regional Emergency Mgmt	\$370,189	\$370,189	\$195,065	\$19,233	\$155,891	57.9%
32130 - 800 MHZ Operations	\$571,026	\$571,026	\$247,379	\$0	\$323,647	43.3%
Grand Total	\$8,066,354	\$8,604,364	\$4,472,200	\$1,012,404	\$3,119,759	63.7%

<sup>\*</sup> Includes supplemental appropriations, with additional administrative changes pending.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Does not include pending transactions (e.g. scheduled check payments, purchase card payments not yet reconciled).





To: ECC Management Board

From: Sonny Saxton, Executive Director ECC

Date: February 3, 2023

Subject: ECC Fund Balance Update

#### **Executive Summary**

The ECC Fund Balance is projected to have an unassigned balance of \$1,134,269, after accounting for a 5% operating contingency and all current appropriations and carry-forwards.

This document is prepared to support the management of the FY2023 budget as well as to inform the budgeting process for FY2024 and beyond. As such, it contains the most recent available audited numbers (FY2021) and unaudited actuals and projections through the present date (FY2022 and FY2023-partial).

#### Fiscal Year 2021

The audited fund balance as of June 30, 2021 was \$3,341,188. This is a year-over-year decrease of \$501,311. In part, this reflects the completion of projects, and related expenditures, for which revenue was received in prior fiscal year(s) but that were delayed as a result of COVID-19 response activities.

TABLE 1: FUND BALANCE AS OF CLOSE OF FY2021

Audited Fund Balance June 30, 2020		\$3,842,499
FY21 Revenues	\$6,682,689.37	
FY21 Expenditures	-\$7,184,000.68	
Net Change in Fund Balance		-\$501,311.31
Audited Fund Balance June 30, 2021		\$3,341,188

Source: FY21 Audit

According to Addendum #2 to the 1984 Participant Agreement, after completion of the fiscal year audit, any funds in excess of 25% of the total annual operating budget are to be returned to the Participants, unless an alternative use is requested by the ECC Management Board and approved by the Participants. The remaining unobligated Fund Balance at the close of FY2021, of approximately \$835,297, is less than 25% of the FY2021 total annual operating budget and thus, no funds are scheduled to be returned to the Participants. (See *Table 2* on the following page.)





TABLE 2: FY2021 CHECK FOR RETURN OF FUND BALANCE OVER 25% OF TOTAL ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET

Participant Agreement Addendum #2 Complia	nce Check	
Audited Fund Balance June 30, 2021		\$3,341,188
Funds Obligated (Carry-forwards, Capital Outlays, Encumbrances)	\$1,762,397	
Remaining Fund Balance	<u>\$835,297</u>	
Check for Excess Funds	40.000.000	
25% of FY21 Total Annual Operating Budget (\$8,813,567)	\$2,203,392	
Remaining Funds in Excess of Above		\$0
Addendum-Compliant Fund Balance		\$3,341,188

Source: FY2021 Audit, FY2021 AADR, FY2022 AADR

#### Fiscal Year 2022 (Unaudited)

The ECC anticipates receiving the completed FY2022 audit in the coming months. Once the audit is received, the Addendum #2 Compliance Check for FY2022 will be conducted. In the interim, the following projection of the net change in fund balance is based on unaudited revenue and expenditure reports. A year-over-year decrease of \$4,813 is estimated.

TABLE 3: PROJECTED FUND BALANCE FOR CLOSE OF FY2022

Audited Fund Balance June 30, 2021		\$3,341,188
FY22 Revenues (Unaudited)	\$7,525,733.21	
FY22 Expenditures (Unaudited)	-\$7,530,546.36	
Projected Net Change in Fund Balance		-\$4,813.15
Unaudited/Projected Fund Balance June 30, 2022		\$3,336,375

Source: FY2022 AADR

### Fiscal Year 2023 (Unaudited/In Progress)

The projected unassigned fund balance, available for the ECC Management Board to allocate towards new spending priorities, is approximately \$1,134,269, based on the final figures for FY2021, preliminary figures for FY2022, and current fiscal year encumbrances and appropriations. (See *Table 4* on the following page.)





TABLE 4: OBLIGATED AND PROJECTED USE OF FUND BALANCE FOR FY2023

Unaudited/Projected Fund Balance June 30, 2022		\$3,336,375
Facility Programming Appropriation	-\$65,628	
Pictometry and Aerial Mapping Project Appropriation	-\$84,032	
Public Safety Software Project Optimization Appropriation	-\$281,878	
IT Infrastructure Updates Appropriation	-\$75,000	
IT Client Workstation Upgrades Appropriation	-\$22,100	
UPS System Upgrade for Datacenter Appropriation	-\$75,000	
9-1-1 Telephone Infrastructure Replacement Appropriation	-\$587,908	
FY2022 to FY2023 Re-appropriations	-\$607,242	
Total of FY2023 Fund Balance Appropriations		<u>-\$1,798,788</u>
Other Identified Use of Fund Balance		
Operating Contingency (5% of FY2023 Budget [\$8,066,354])	-\$403,318	
<u>Total Other Identified Use</u>		<u>-\$403,318</u>
Projected Unassigned Fund Balance		\$1,134,269

Source: FY2023 AADR (as of 1/31/2023), Appropriation Request Forms



## 4.3) Technology and Building Reports





To: Sonny Saxton, Executive Director

From: Lily Gregg, Systems Manager

Date: February 6, 2023

Subject: ECC Building Report

#### Executive Summary

Along with managing the technical systems for the ECC and the region, the information technology division helps oversee required maintenance or repairs for the building. Interior issues are serviced City of Charlottesville Facilities Maintenance. Exterior issues are serviced by University of Virginia or contracted vendor in conjunction with UVA. Several ongoing building items, and their status, are contained below.

#### **Parking Lot Updates**

The upper and lower lots of the ECC will be resealed and striped, and parking signs will be added or replaced to mark ECC spaces.

#### **Building Leaks**

As building leaks continue to be an issue, UVA assisted with an inspection of the building and the next mitigation effort recommended includes cleaning all exterior bricks, repairing damaged mortar, and sealing cracks. Estimated cost of repairs is \$24,000.00, which exceeds the remaining budgeted amount for building maintenance and repair. Working to identify budget substitution.

#### **Building Renovations**

Work to convert single offices into two person workspaces to accommodate additional staff has been completed. Kitchen renovations to replace cracked, molding countertops, and better utilize the space as break room for staff are nearly complete.

#### **Structural Cracks**

Following the water main leak issue, many new cracks were identified in the walls and ceiling around the interior and exterior of the building. ECC continues to monitor the interior cracks for changes over time.

#### **Main Breaker Issues**

Occasionally, during weekly generator testing, a main breaker gets tripped resulting in a full building power outage. Critical equipment on the building UPS remains functional during the outage. This issue continues to be monitored.





To: Sonny Saxton, Executive Director

From: Lily Gregg, Systems Manager

Date: February 3, 2023

Subject: ECC Technology Report

### **Executive Summary**

The information technology division within the ECC is leading multiple ongoing technical projects for the ECC and the Region. The major projects include Regional P25 Project, Public Safety Software Optimization, Next Generation 9-1-1 transition, Call Handling system upgrade, and Electronic Dispatch Protocols. A full list of projects with a brief scope and current status for each project is contained below.

Regional P25	<b>Scope</b> : Replace end of life Motorola 800 MHz SmartZone radio system infrastructure with L3Harris
Project	P25 system.
Budget: \$18,808,000 Funded: FY16 6 year duration	<b>Status</b> : Cutover to the P25 radio system commenced on July 19, 2022 and issues found at the time of cutover continue to be worked on. Once those issues are resolved, preliminary system acceptance will be achieved and a 90 day user evaluation period will commence. At the completion of the evaluation period, the legacy system will be decommissioned. Integration with the Public Safety Software system to display Automatic Vehicle Location is ongoing. Due to large improvements in coverage at Sugar Hollow, alternate locations for hole fillers will be evaluated.
Public Safety Software	<b>Scope</b> : After discontinuing the RFP process, the ECC continues to optimize the current Public Safety Software platform.
Optimization Budget: \$119,000 Funded: FY22	<b>Status</b> : The Public Safety Software platform was successfully migrated from end of life 2012 servers to 2019 servers on November 9 <sup>th</sup> . During this migration the software was also upgraded to a newer
Budget \$281,878 Funded FY23 Duration pending	version. FY23 optimization projects include LE Mobile ShieldForce site license, additional onsite training hours, and upgrade to Enterprise Records. The Enterprise Records offering is not yet available from the vendor, so this upgrade will be delayed.
Next-Generation 9-1-1 Transition	<b>Scope</b> : Migrate 9-1-1 system from an analog network to a statewide IP network to improve and enhance 9-1-1 services. Funding supplemented by state grant.
Budget: see CHE Funded: see CHE 2 year duration	<b>Status</b> : Diverse connectivity for both the primary and backup ECC is being completed. The ECC is working with 9-1-1 and Geospacial Services and regional GIS personnel to correct and update regional GIS data following the initial upload.





Call Handling System Upgrade	<b>Scope</b> : Replace end-of-support phone system equipment and upgrade to the latest software version. This upgrade is required for the NG9-1-1 transition. As such, funding supplemented by state grant.
Budget: \$608,908 Funded: FY20/FY21 2 year duration	Status: This upgrade has been completed.
Electronic Dispatch	Scope: Implement electronic dispatch protocols for police, fire, and EMS, including integration with the
Protocols Budget: \$234,238	CAD system.
Funded: FY20	Status: Phase two response configuration of the Public Safety Software System for Electronic Dispatch
6-9 month duration	Protocols is underway, with input from the Dispatch Review Committee. Initial level of effort calculations indicate this phase will take about six months to implement.
Data Analytics Budget: \$21,000 Funded: FY 21	<b>Scope</b> : System to analyze and share key performance indicators with internal and external stakeholders.
1 year duration	Status: This project has been completed.
VPN Replacement Budget: \$32,000	<b>Scope:</b> Replace the current ECC mobile VPN with a more robust solution to accommodate additional operational users of regional public safety software systems.
Funded: FY 22 6 month duration	<b>Status:</b> A new VPN solution has been identified, and implementation will take place in the coming months.
PowerDMS Modules	<b>Scope:</b> PowerDMS is the system currently used by the ECC for accreditation and policy management. Additional modules are being added to the system to enhance workforce management.
Budget: \$8,000 Funded: FY 22 3 month duration	<b>Status:</b> PowerEngage, the citizen engagement and feedback solution, went live on August 10 <sup>th</sup> . The current response rate is about 37% with citizen positive satisfaction scores around 94%. PowerFTO, for tracking and documenting training, and PowerTime, an electronic scheduling and time keeping solution, are currently being implemented.
VoIP Phone System Budget: TBD Funded: N/A	<b>Scope:</b> Replace existing analog business phone lines with a VoIP phone system to improve functionality and reduce costs.
i ulided. N/A	<b>Status:</b> This project was recommended in the FY24 budget.
IT Infrastructure	Scope: Replace core network security devices that are nearing end-of-life
Updates Budget: \$75,000 Funded: FY 23 6-9 month duration	<b>Status:</b> Quotes for replacement equipment are being refreshed to begin the procurement process.



## 4.4) Personnel Reports





To: ECC Management Board

From: Josh Powell, Deputy Director-Support Services

**Date:** January 30, 2023

**Subject: ECC Staffing and Recruitment Report** 

### Staffing, Organizational Strength, and Recruitment

Since our last report in November, 2022, there have been two separations (one PSCO, one PSCO recruit) and one transfer (PS Applications Technician).

Our vacancy rate is 17% overall, or 10.7 FTEs. Recruitment efforts are underway for all current and anticipated vacancies, with the exception of Emergency Management Coordinator, pending input from the Emergency Management Steering Committee. Eight contingent offers have been extended for the PSCO vacancies, with an expected March start date.

Organizational Strength [1/2023]	Authorized	Ac Full-time	tual Part-time	Vacant	% Vacant
Operational	47.4	38.70		8.70	18%
Public Safety Communications Officers <sup>1</sup>	34.4	24	2.7	0.70	10,0
rubite safety communications officers	PSCO I	7	0.6		
	PSCO II	3	0.0	7.70	22%
	PSCO III	13	2.1		
Specialized A	ssignment	1			
Public Safety Communications Supervisors	8	8		0	0%
Public Safety PI & Accreditation Supervisor	1	1		0	0%
Public Safety Training Manager	1	1		0	0%
Operations Manager <sup>+</sup>	2	1		1	50%
Deputy Director - Operations*	1	1		0	0%
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ECC Systems Manager*	1	1		0	0%
ECC Sr. Systems Analyst/DBA+	1	1		0	0%
Sr. / Systems Engineer*	2	2		0	0%
Public Safety Applications Analyst*	1	1		0	0%
Public Safety Communications Technician	1	1		0	0%
Emergency Management	1	(	)	1	100%
Emergency Management Coordinator	1	0		1	100%
Administration	7	6	00	1	14%
Executive Director*			00	_	,.
	1	1		0	0%
Deputy Director-Support Services* HR Manager	1	1		0	0% 0%
нк Manager HR Associate	1	0		1	100%
Accountant II	1	1		0	0%
Administrative Assistant	1	1		0	0%
Lead Custodian	1	1		0	0%
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Overall	61.40	50	.70	10.7	17%

<sup>1</sup> Authorized count does not include overhire (0/3 positions filled).

<sup>\*</sup> Salaried





#### MEMORANDUM - GENERAL

**To:** Sonny Saxton – Executive Director

From: Celeste Baldino – Deputy Director of Operations

**Date:** February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**Subject:** Complaints, Release of Information, and Other Research

Since November 9<sup>th</sup> 2022, the ECC has received six complaints. Two complaints were unfounded, and four complaints were founded. In all cases, complaints were researched by supervisory personnel and if the complaint was founded, appropriate remediation, follow up with original requestor, and/or corrective actions were taken.

The ECC's review of the manner in which we account for all release of information requests and involved research time is ongoing. We have developed a new form for tracking time and effort for each request, and this data will be available in future reports.



## 4.5) Training Program Report





To: ECC Management Board

From: Jan Farruggio

**PS Communications Training Program Manager** 

**Date:** January 31, 2023

**Subject: Update from the Training Division** 

#### **Professional Development**

In December '22, we had 1 co-worker attend training for leaders and senior management introducing the Struggle Well philosophy, for First Responders. The objective is to enable participants to prepare, practice and implement an individualized plan for personal growth by transforming struggle into strength, enabling them to be of continued service to themselves, their family, their work, their community and their country.

In October '22, the ECC provided Professional Development training, by Maureen (Moe) Dieckmann of Moetivations, on Wellness, Growth, and Leadership Development for Supervisors and Communicators. This voluntary training was designed to improve social, physical, and emotional well-being of 9-1-1-professionals. Attendees expressed the need for additional support in these areas and requested that a future engagement be compulsory for all co-workers.

#### **New Hire Curriculum and OJT Training**

Our most recent recruit class was hired in October, to include 2 part-time co-workers and 2 full-time co-workers, during the classroom we had 1 part-time co-workers request to become full-time. This recruit class graduated on January 5, 2023, with a 100% success rate.

We have signs of continued success with the reconstructed training program, as all 4 of the recent recruit class, after 3 weeks with a CTO, will move to the mentoring phase.

A breakdown of training hours is listed on the next page and additionally graphed on page eight of the productivity report.





### Breakdown of Training Hours

	Nov '22	Dec '22	Jan <b>'23</b>	Feb '23
Academy (instructor)				
Academy (student)		16		
Specialized Training	108			
Professional Development			92	
Trainee- Floor	120	377.25	815.25	
Trainee- Classroom	503	288	96	
CTO- Meetings			2.5	
CTO - Floor	120	377.25	815.25	
Instructor - Classroom	84	29	43	
Instructor - CTO	24	4	4	
TPM - Classroom	40	33	12	

### Additional Training Detail

November 2022

DEI/Harassment Prevention Training (make-up class)
PEER I Training

**CIT Training** 

7 co-workers/4 hrs each 3 co-workers/24 hrs each 1 co-worker/ 8 hrs

December 2022

Struggle Well Training 1 co-worker/16 hrs

January 2023

Prepare Yourself for the (Un)Expected 23 co-workers/4 hrs each

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4.6) Commendations, Awards, and Press





To: ECC Management Board

From: Josh Powell, Deputy Director-Support Services

Date: February 7, 2023

**Subject: ECC Press and Social Media Update** 

#### **FCC** in the News

Since our last report, local news stories and press releases involving the Charlottesville-UVA-Albemarle County Emergency Communications Center and/or its co-workers include:

- 11/16/22: "5 Keys to Addressing Staffing Challenges Through Technology" (webinar)



- **12/28/22:** "ECC Thanks 9-1-1 Telecommunicators for Exceptional Service During Holiday, Handling 45% Increase in Workload" (CUA911.gov)
- 12/28/22: "Bitter cold resulted in increase in calls to ECC" (CBS19)
- 12/28/22: "Charlottesville area ECC responds to 45 percent more emergency calls during cold chill" (Augusta Free Press)
- 01/01/23: "Emergency Communications Center flooded with calls over holiday weekend" (NBC29)
- **01/11/23**: "Charlottesville-UVA-Albemarle ECC making it easier to share info with first responders" (NBC29)
- 01/26/23: "CUAECC Celebrates Newest Academy Graduates" (CUA911.gov)
- **02/09/23**: "Emergency Communications Center offering new tech to Charlottesville-area communities" (NBC29)
- 02/09/23: "Emergency Communications Center able to get 911 calls during Verizon outage" (NBC29)
- **02/07/23**: Dr. Bill Brady on WINA discussing out-of-hospital care and CPR, including importance of timely access to 9-1-1 (WINA)

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#### Social Media

The ECC continues to maintain and grow its presence on social media, including Facebook, Twitter, NextDoor, Instagram, and LinkedIn. Initiatives include recruitment, community engagement, and public education.



## **4.7) Previous Meeting Minutes**

## Emergency Communications Center Management Board

Special Meeting Minutes – December 8, 2022 – 2pm

Location: ECC Conference Room, 2306 Ivy Rd., Charlottesville, VA 22903

#### Members Present

<u>Chair</u>	<u>Vice Chair</u>	<u>Secretary</u>
Chief Dan Eggleston	Chief Tim Longo	Ms. Ashley Marshall
Ms. Nelsie Birch	Mr. John DeSilva	Major Tito Durrette
Major Terry Walls (designee for Chief Sean Reeves)		Chief Michael Thomas

#### Members Absent

Dr. Bill Brady		
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#### Others Present

Mr. Sonny Saxton	Mr. Josh Powell	Ms. Lily Gregg
Ms. Tiffany Caldin		

#### (1) Call to Order

Chief Eggleston called the meeting to order at 2:11pm.

#### (2) Roll Call

Roll call was taken or the record. With no members attending virtually and two absent at the time of roll call, a quorum was present.

#### (3) Matters from the Public

No members of the public provided comments to the Board, and no comments had been submitted through electronic means.

#### (4) Consent Agenda

With no items removed from the consent agenda for further discussion, Chief Longo made motion, seconded by Chief Thomas, to approve the consent agenda as presented ("Productivity Report," "Technology and Building Report," "Personnel Reports," "Training Program Report," "Commendations, Awards, and Press," "FY2021 Audit," "Previous Meeting Minutes: May 17, 2022 Regular Meeting," "2023 Regular Meeting Schedule," and "ECC Facility Programming Needs Assessment"). The motion carried on a voice vote.

#### (5) Committee Updates – Sonny Saxton

<u>Budget and Finance Committee – FY 2024 Budget Timeline</u>: Mr. Saxton presented an overview of the proposed budget timeline included in the meeting packet, and indicated that the Budget and Finance Committee would be meeting to review a draft budget request in advance of the Board's February meeting.

#### (6) Presentations and Reports

<u>Directors Report</u>: Mr. Saxton thanked the ECC's Public Safety Communications Officers for their admirable performance, including during several recent tragedies faced by the community.

Mr. Powell presented a financial report update noting that as of the FY 2021 audit, the ECC fund balance was approximately \$3.3m. He further discussed cost allocation for fiscal services, noting that Albemarle County previously conducted a cost allocation study and requested reimbursement of 2.5% of the ECC's operating budget for services provided to ECC. Per the 1984 Participant agreement, a contract is required to be initiated between the County and the ECC. ECC submitted draft changes and is awaiting the final draft. Once received, staff will bring to the Executive Board for review.

Mr. Powell also requested approval for an extension of recruitment incentives for Public Safety roles through June 30, 2023, utilizing already appropriated dollars and FY 2023 Salary and Benefit savings, given that Albemarle County will also be extending their recruitment incentives. The ECC incentive has been quite successful. The Board provided general agreement and consensus to extend the incentive.

Mr. Powell additionally provided an update concerning in-house services. Mr. Powell shared that financial consultants have been engaged and have met with staff. They are working on their report as it relates to ECC processes. Ms. Birch asked if there were any changes in the FY24 budget with concern to their work. Mr. Powell stated that at this point there was no indication of additional budgetary impacts.

Additionally, Mr. Powell noted the successful hiring of the ECC Human Resources Manager, Ms. Tiffany Caldin. She will be working on updating policies and processes to meet the needs of the organization. Mr. Powell expressed his appreciation to Albemarle County Human Resources for their assistance with the job description development and recruitment efforts for this position.

Finally, Mr. Powell discussed the search for legal services for the organization and board. He noted that as of now any procurement related legal services stays with Albemarle County; but there is a need to have designated legal for this body and organization. Staff will be working with Albemarle County procurement and the Board's Executive Committee to draft an appropriate scope of work.

P25 Radio Project Update: Ms. Gregg provided an update on the P-25 Radio Project, which began in 2017 to replace an aging regional radio system and improve coverage, redundancy, and reliability. An update was provided previously May 2022 to the ECC Management Board. The cutover commenced in July 2022 and the organization is currently working with remaining agencies to assist them in completing their steps for cutover. Due to the improved coverage, a "hole filler" at Sugar Hollow will not be required. A consultant will be recommending other possible locations for a hole filler. The organization is still in user evaluation period, collecting feedback from end users, despite its projected end in October 2022 as some issues remain unresolved. It believes that resolution is forthcoming as updates to radio programming to improve audio quality is being made after consulting with the prime contractor's senior management.

Next steps include building on the strength of radio coverage for locations with poor cellular coverage for potential methods to activate and coordinate emergency services. They are also working with the CAD vendor to implement GPS mapping integration, as well as reprogramming all user radios to remove the legacy system. Finally, the old equipment and Bucks tower will be decommissioned and removed respectively. One outstanding need is finding a location to store some of the spare and backup equipment, including 30-foot antennas.

As of September 2022, the project has spent approximately \$10.8 million dollars of the original \$18.8 million dollar appropriation. The projected remaining spend is \$6.2 million dollars, therefore likely resulting in some cost savings. Mr. Saxton thanked Ms. Gregg and her team for being so mindful of costs.

<u>Proposed Strategic Plan:</u> Mr. Saxton discussed the proposed strategic plan as provided in the meeting packet beginning on page 89.

The proposed seven (7) year plan has been designed to be simple and actionable. The team took the opportunity to review and update the ECC's purpose, vision, and value statements. These items incorporated discussions from Board members, on items such as having a just culture, recruiting and retaining a qualified workforce, incorporating concepts of 21<sup>st</sup> Century Policing and alternative response models for mental health crisis support. Internally, two key issues focused on were the need to expand and realign the organizational structure and to assume responsibility for administrative services (including HR and legal). The process included the creation of a SWOT analysis, and the determination of the core guiding values for the ECC. The resulting product was a one-page strategic plan that the ECC team could begin working on immediately.

#### Next steps:

- The board will give input and formally adopt this plan.

#### Questions:

- Chief Longo When it comes to the facility location, will it continue to be this site to rebuild or another site in the region? Chief Longo noted that a 2025 construction start date appears to be aggressive with no site location identified.
  - o Answer: The decision has not yet been made and a building committee would likely make that determination once formed by the Chair. Ideally, the site needs to stay close to the central core due to connectivity requirements and backup systems needed.
- Ms. Birch asked about whether or not there was an end date for the land lease and use of the current site.
  - o Answer: There was no identified time to vacate the current site.

<u>CUA911.gov Website</u>: Mr. Powell discussed and unveiled the new CUA ECC website (<u>www.cua911.gov</u>), the first ever dedicated website for the Emergency Communications Center. Pages and tools include information for the community on accessing 9-1-1 and emergency services, information on meetings and governance of the ECC Management Board, as well as geographical incident and performance data. Mr. Powell requested that the Members let him know if there was any additional information that they would like to see on the website. Mr. Powell also demonstrated a hiring and recruitment landing page to provide information to potential new hire candidates.

Chief Longo noted how exceptional the website was given its usability as well as visual impact. Mr. Powell noted that another feature included was the ability to add a banner to the top of the page to notify of issues, such as emergencies or technical issues impacting the region or the 9-1-1 system. Acting Chief Durrette asked if the banner function had been utilized as of yet. Mr. DeSilva requested to review the Emergency Alerts page and to have the UVA public alert system sign up linked. Mr. Powell also noted a satisfaction survey tool through PowerEngage, a technology product that interfaces with the ECC's CAD system and automatically sends satisfaction surveys following low-acuity calls to 9-1-1 or the ECC's non-emergency number. Since the go-live date, 10,324 surveys had been sent and 3,622 responses were received totaling a 35.1% response rate. Of those responses, the Citizen Positive Satisfaction Score has

averaged between 92% and 94%. Comments from the surveys were also available on page 23 of the meeting packet. The email commendation on page 25-26 was also noted by Mr. DeSilva.

#### (7) Other Matters Not Listed On the Board Agenda

Chair Eggleston requested information on whether there were any additional matters for consideration. None were provided.

#### (8) Adjourn

The Chair requested a motion to adjourn. Acting Chief Durrette moved to adjourn, at 3:06pm. With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.



## 4.8) Strategic Plan Update

### Charlottesville-UVA-Albemarle ECC 1st Quarter One-Page Plan 2023

Updated: January 3, 2023

#### 2025 TARGETS **2023 GOALS CORE VALUES/BELIEFS** 10-YEAR VISION Our Foundation/Reputation (BY YEAR END) (BY YEAR END) Year-end 2025 Year-end 2023 Generous **BHAG** Facilities Contract executed **Facilities** Funds Identified · With each other, our Big, hairy, audacious goal Recruiting ≥3 app/opening Recruiting ≥1 app/opening ≥1/3 training/yr. time, our community Training 100% training/yr. Training By 2030: Retention 100% reduction Retention ≥1/3 reduction By 2030, the ECC will be L&P Action planning L&P Deploy survey 100% alignment L&P 100% implement L&P locally and nationally **O**pen

L&P

Technology

Operations

Operations

Operations

Staffing

· To learning and innovation, openminded & inclusive

#### Leaders

· At all levels and positions, fostering teamwork

#### **D**edicated to SERVICE

• For the safety of community and responders

#### Efficient & Empathetic

• With our communications. policies, and co-workers

#### **N**otable

Worthy of celebrating

Be GOLDEN!

#### **Purpose Statement:** Why are we here?

Because the health. wellness, and safety of our community relies on the emergency response and service of 9-1-1.

recognized for providing exceptional service, continually earning the trust of our communities, and being the place that service-minded professionals can have a career.

#### Hedgehog

Provide community safety and preparedness services through innovation and collaboration that earns community trust.



#### Issues Keep these in mind.

- Investing in purpose-built facility priorities
- Increasing co-worker time availability for recruiting
- Developing a qualified workforce in a Just Culture Focusing on co-worker work-
- life culture and balance
- Defining retention and lifecycle of engaged coworkers
- Focusing on organizational structure and communication
- Investing in co-worker career development
- Planning for **funding** sustainability
- Building co-worker efficiency and confidence
- 10. Time dedicated to
- community engagement Meeting dynamic community service expectations
- 12. Achieving sustainable staffing for operational efficiencies

#### Sandbox

≥3 new \$ source

≥50% increase

≥1 opp./month

≥10% res 90% sat

100% implement

Within 5% of FTE

Responder Agencies, Community & Business Members, Service Orgs., City, County & State Governments, Educational Institutions, Vendors & Suppliers, Contract Partners. Professional & SDOs

#### 2025 Thrusts

What will get us to our goals?

#### **Facilities**

New ECC facility contract has been executed.

- At least 3 applications/ opening Training
- 100% of CE/year complete

Volunteer replaces mandatory on-call and overtime

#### L&P

- Implement co-worker engagement survey
- Establish 3 new sustainable/or one-time funding sources
- Board recommendations for organization's functions and structure implemented

#### Technology

Resolution system use up 50%

#### Operations

- Participate in ≥ 1 community engagement opp./month
- Community surveys ≥ 10% response & 90% satisfaction
- Policies support 21st Century Policing & alternative response models defined (e.g., 911/988 interactions, mental health crisis)

Review and validate authorized **FTFs** 

#### 2023 Commitments

≥1 new \$ source

≥25% increase

≥6 opp./yr.

Incorp QA/QI

100% alignment

100% validated

#### 1. Facilities:

L&P

Technology

Operations

Operations

Operations

Staffing

- A. Complete facility programming analysis
- B. Secure funding

#### 2. Recruiting:

- A. Create new marketing collateral
- B. Acquire dedicated HR

#### 3. Training:

- A. Set and identify relevant training opportunities
- B. Determine training program KPIs

A. Develop a framework to reduce oncall and overtime

- A. Implement and measure strategy outcomes to improve internal communication
- B. Provide HR and legal services inhouse with consideration for finance services
- C. Acquire one additional funding source

#### 6. Technology:

- A. Develop communication and awareness strategy

  B. Refresh after-hours procedures

#### 7. Operations:

- A. Develop strategy for scheduling community education opportunities
- B. Operationalize existing data into PE workflow
- C. Align existing policies and procedures for 21st Century Policing principles and alternative response models (e.g., 911/988 interactions, mental health crisis)

#### 8. Staffing

A. Develop strategy, including KPIs where needed, to validate performance

## **SWOT**

#### Strengths

1	The strength of the mission-driven workforce
2	Skilled IT team dedicated to the ECC
3	Funding and support provided by the management board
4	Interagency collaboration

#### Opportunities to Accomplish More

1	More community education (e.g., schools)
2	More professional development and management training
3	Engagement with responders
4	Improve public-facing data and reporting/ visualization for responder agencies and the public

#### Weaknesses

1	Co-worker stress-management, health, and wellness (e.g., debriefing)
2	Working supervisors included in minimum staffing
3	Internal communication and dissemination of information
4	Lack of CTOs
5	Lack of facility space

#### Threats to Accomplishing More

1	Lack of space in the current building
2	Morale
3	"We have always done it this way" mindset

Actions			ACCOUNTABILITY (Who/What/When)	
1 <sup>ST</sup> QUA	1 <sup>ST</sup> QUARTER 2023 GOALS		1st QUARTER 2023 ROCKS	
Quarter YTD Quarter-end 2023 Facilities Analysis services secure Recruiting -		1A	Prepare facility programming analysis to be presented to the Board  • Seat Board-level subcommittee  • Identify funding for the analysis  • Secure analysis services	Sonny
Training Retention L&P L&P L&P	KPIs & tracking mechanism Subcommittee established C-plan framework created Transition plan developed -	3В	Determine and track training program KPIs  Identify KPIs for the new hire program  Identify KPIs for the CE program  Create tracking mechanism	Jan
Technology Operations Operations Operations Staffing	-  - Roadmap developed	4A	Develop a subcommittee to create framework to reduce on-call and overtime  Identify a management sponsor Solicit volunteers Set meeting schedule	Celeste
Ottaining		5A	Create framework for a communications plan  Identify workgroups  Schedule and hold work sessions  Compile existing communications workflows  Analyze report and identify gaps	Lily
		5B	Develop HR and Legal (County to ECC) transition plan  Continue onboarding of HR manager  Perform Gap Analysis and determine status of open HR specialist position  Solicit and initiate procurement for legal svcs	Josh
		7C	Develop policy review and revision roadmap  Identify policy and procedures subcommittee  Complete a gap analysis of existing policies and procedures  Develop policy review schedule	Tiffany

### REVISION'S AND UPDATES - WHAT'S CHANGED?

- December 8, 2022 Following Board discussion and review, updated 2025- and 2023-year end goals regarding new facilities to be clearer and obtainable. New target for end of 2025 is to have an executed design/build contract.
- January 3, 2023 Updated 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2023 Rocks to reflect new owners and updated the goals being worked on.