



# Public Safety Communications and Response Summit

May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Fairfax County Department of Public Safety Communications (9-1-1)

4890 Alliance Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	<b>Coffee and Registration</b>
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	<b>Opening Remarks and Welcome</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <b>Maria Cardiellos</b>, Executive Director IJIS Institute</li><li>○ <b>Scott Brillman</b>, Director Fairfax County Department of Public Safety Communications (9-1-1)</li></ul>
9:30 AM – 10:30 AM	<b>Panel 1 – Next Generation Emergency Communications and Response</b> - What is Next Gen ECR and how it's going to impact the Public Safety Mission? <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <b>Scott Brillman</b>, Director Fairfax County Department of Public Safety Communications (9-1-1), Moderator</li><li>○ <b>Steve McMurrer</b>, Information Systems Division Chief, Fairfax County Department of Public Safety</li><li>○ <b>John Geib</b>, Director Emergency Communications, Bucks County PA</li><li>○ <b>James Lake</b>, Director Charleston County Consolidated Dispatch Center</li></ul>
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	<b>BREAK</b>
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	<b>Panel 2 – Impact of Innovative Technologies on Emergency Communication and Response</b> - How are Public Safety agencies using innovative technologies in day-to-day operations? Panelists will share use cases on how they are leveraging innovation regularly. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <b>Ed Craig</b>, Chief Technology Officer, Smart Response Technologies – Moderator</li><li>○ <b>Jessica Loos</b>, 911 Communications Manager, Lincoln Emergency Communications Center Nebraska</li><li>○ <b>Bonnie Maney</b>, Operations Domain Manager, Mission Critical Partners</li><li>○ <b>Timothy Kane</b>, Operations Manager, Arlington County, Va Emergency Communications</li></ul>
12:00 PM – 1:15 PM	<b>LUNCH</b>
1:15 PM – 2:00 PM	<b>Panel 3 – Changing Workforce Environment</b> - Future Role of Telecommunicators, Skills-based Recruitment and Retention, Workforce Health and Wellness <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <b>Michele Surdam</b>, Director, Prince William County, Department of Public Safety Communications</li><li>○ <b>Cody Shadle</b>, Director, City of Reno Public Safety Dispatch</li><li>○ <b>Halcyon Frank</b>, Public Safety Communications SME</li></ul>
2:00 PM – 2:05 PM	<b>BREAK</b>
2:05 PM – 3:00 PM	<b>Panel 4 – Why Does Interoperability Matter in Emergency Communications and Response?</b> - Interoperability within Emergency Communications and Response can be a life-and-death situation to access to systems, data, etc. is overly critical when every second counts and decisions need to be made <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <b>Ashwini Jarral</b>, Director IJIS Institute – Moderator</li><li>○ <b>Bob Finney</b>, Director, Collier County Sheriff 911, Collier County, FL</li><li>○ <b>Dr. Dorothy Spears-Dean</b>, Deputy State Coordinator for 911 &amp; Geospatial Services, Virginia Department of Emergency Management</li><li>○ <b>Renee Gordon</b>, FirstNet Authority Acting Board Chair, City of Alexandria Department of Emergency &amp; Customer Communications Director</li></ul>



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3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	<b>Panel 5 – Legislative Priorities</b> - Bridging the gaps between operations, technology innovation, and Legislation <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <b>Ben Bawden</b>, Brooks Bawden More (BBM) - Moderator</li><li>○ <b>Paul McCallister</b>, Assistant Director at Metro Nashville Davidson Co Emergency Communications Center</li></ul>
3:30 – 4:30 PM	<b>Panel 6 – Funding Strategies</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <b>Daryl Branson</b>, President NASNA, Telecom Programs Section Chief Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies</li><li>○ <b>Jack Markey</b>, Statewide Interoperability Coordinator Maryland Department of Emergency Management</li></ul>
4:30 – 5:00 PM	<b>Round Table and Closing Comments</b> <b>Maria Cardiello</b> , Executive Director IJIS Institute

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