

Program #78336 - Radio System Replacement

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FY 2026 Proposed

Department: County Assets **Program Contact:**

Program Offer Type: Capital Program Offer Stage: Proposed

Related Programs: 78210A, 78304A

Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request

Program Description

The County's Radio System Replacement project will modernize and enhance emergency communications for the County. The initiative centers on replacing the outdated Very High Frequency (VHF) analog radio system with a state-of-the-art VHF Digital Mobile Radio (DMR) system. This technological upgrade will involve substantial improvements to existing tower and repeater sites, leading to expanded coverage, increased system capacity, and a wider range of user options. The enhanced system will serve as a reliable alternative to landline and cellular communication systems, particularly in critical situations.

A VHF DMR system aligns effectively with the County's communication goals, providing the necessary coverage to reach all areas of operation, including remote locations. Additionally, VHF DMR offers seamless connectivity with volunteer Search and Rescue personnel and private emergency assistance agencies, ensuring a coordinated response during emergencies. The project is estimated to be complete in early Fiscal Year 2026, marking a significant advancement in emergency communication capabilities and overall public safety.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY24 Actual	FY25 Budgeted	FY25 Estimate	FY26 Target			
Output	Project completed in FY 2026. Includes commissioning, licensure, and system readiness testing.	N/A	40%	30%	100%			
Output	New radio system working with new radio subscriber units.	N/A	50%	80%	100%			

Performance Measures Descriptions

PM#1 Contract, design, procure materials and services, commission and test system. Project completed in FY26. This is a new measure.

PM#2 New radio system implemented, subscriber units able to connect and function for daily and emergency use. This is a new measure.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2025	2025	2026	2026
Contractual Services	\$0	\$2,898,679	\$0	\$2,885,280
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$2,898,679	\$0	\$2,885,280
Program Total:	\$2,898,679		\$2,885,280	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues							
Beginning Working Capital	\$0	\$2,898,679	\$0	\$2,885,280			
Total Revenue	\$0	\$2,898,679	\$0	\$2,885,280			

Explanation of Revenues

This funding is a carryover of a one-time-only General Fund cash transfer to fund 2508 Information Technology Capital Fund.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2025: 78336 Radio System Replacement