

Division: Information Technology

Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request

Program Description

The County's Radio System Replacement project will upgrade the outdated Very High Frequency (VHF) analog radio system to a state-of-the-art VHF P25 Phase 2 system. This upgrade involves improvements to existing tower and repeater sites, expanding coverage, increasing capacity, and offering more user options. The enhanced system will provide a reliable alternative to landline and cellular communication, especially in critical situations. The new system will allow seamless connectivity with volunteer Search and Rescue and private emergency assistance agencies for coordinated emergency response.

Equity Statement

Replacing outdated infrastructure with a modern digital system directly addresses existing inequities where poor radio signal coverage puts certain populations at higher risk. Enhanced coverage provides reliable communication crucial for situational awareness, resource deployment, and ultimately, delivering equitable service to every resident, strengthening the County's overall resilience and safety.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	2026 General Fund	2026 Other Funds	2027 General Fund	2027 Other Funds
Contractual Services	\$0	\$2,898,069	\$0	\$1,616,638
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$2,898,069	\$0	\$1,616,638
Total Expenses:	\$2,898,069		\$1,616,638	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Beginning Working Capital	\$0	\$2,898,069	\$0	\$1,616,638
Total Revenue	\$0	\$2,898,069	\$0	\$1,616,638

Performance Measures

Performance Measure	FY25 Actual	FY26 Estimate	FY27 Target
Complete closeout of the project, including commissioning, licensure, and testing the new system for readiness.	N/A	5%	100%
New radio system installed and working with new radio subscriber units.	0%	80%	100%