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FEATURED PUBLIC SAFETY ENGAGEMENT

Remote work opens new possibilities for 9-1-1: The COVID-19 pandemic demonstrated how dispatchers work from home

One thing the 9-1-1 community learned from the pandemic was the need to plan for alternate ways to work. Rather than be tied to workstations at fixed locations, 9-1-1 telecommunicators need flexibility to remotely take, dispatch, and supervise calls.

9-1-1 leaders looked to technology for a solution. Through FirstNet, first responders had access to a secure, reliable connection outside of the emergency communications center.

Read the full article

The FirstNet Authority is hiring: Chief Executive Officer

The FirstNet Authority has engaged a recruitment firm to help attract a highly qualified, diverse group of executive-level candidates for the position of CEO. The CEO is responsible for shaping the technology and reinvestment strategy for FirstNet, the Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network, and overseeing all operations of the FirstNet Authority.

Read more about **applying for the Chief Executive Officer**.

SELECT UPCOMING ENGAGEMENTS

In-Person Events

District of Columbia Interoperability Summit, September 7-8, Washington, D.C.

Mountain View Fire Rescue Tour of FirstNet Authority Lab and Public Safety Immersive Test Center (PSITC) September 7, Boulder, Colo

2022 Chiefs of Police and Sheriffs Professional Development Training Seminar & Exhibitor Show, September 11-13, Ocean City, Md.

California Fire Chiefs Association State Conference, September 13-15, Sacramento, Calif.

Central States Communications Exercise 2022, September 13-16, Quapaw, Okla.

FirstNet Tech Titans Panel Discussion, September 16, Dallas, Texas

Virtual Meetings and Teleconferences

PSAC TWG Monthly Teleconference September 13

*For questions about events the FirstNet Authority is attending or hosting, please email: **Outreach@FirstNet.gov**.*

FIRSTNET IN ACTION

FirstNet Authority's broadband integration guide, collaboration with Indian Gaming Association

The FirstNet Authority has made it a priority to bring broadband to all first responders—local, state, federal, and tribal. The FirstNet Authority is helping tribal nations integrate broadband into public safety operations by developing guidance and collaborating on best practices with tribal organizations like the Indian Gaming Association.

Read how the **FirstNet Authority is working with tribal organizations** to ensure all first responders have access to reliable broadband capabilities.

Thunderbird and Whale: First-ever national exercise led by tribal nations tests communications capabilities

Thunderbird and Whale was the first-ever national-level exercise fully planned and executed by tribal nations. Lynda Zambrano, Executive Director of the National Tribal Emergency Management Council, recounts her team's approach to the exercise and how they maximized resources to benefit tribal communities in the Pacific Northwest.

Learn more about the **Thunderbird and Whale** exercise for tribal nations.

FirstNet and the five E's of community risk reduction

FirstNet is an important tool for firefighters as they battle a fire. Outside the blazes, the network can also enhance the fire service's community risk reduction efforts. The FirstNet Authority engages with the fire community on how FirstNet can support the "five E's" of risk reduction: enforcement, engineering, education, emergency response, and economic incentives.

Read more about the **five E's and how FirstNet works with public safety**.

FirstNet Network advances public safety communication capabilities

FirstNet continues to expand across the nation, bringing greater coverage, capacity, and capabilities to first responders. Rural and urban, indoor and outdoor, FirstNet solves communications challenges to help public safety serve their communities.

Read more about FirstNet's growth summary for New York's **Oneida County**.

FIRSTNET MOMENTUM

Agencies
21,800+

Connections
3.7+ Million

FIRSTNET IN THE NEWS

Regional Coverage

AT&T boosts NJ network with new 5G sites
NJBiz, August 25

County expands public safety wireless network with FirstNet
The Rome Sentinel, August 24

AT&T turns on new 5G sites across Pennsylvania
The Bradford Era, August 23

National Coverage

FirstNet's First Ten Years with Tom Shull
NASCIO Voices, August 31

AT&T Expands 5G Support for FirstNet
MissionCritical Communications, August 31

FirstNet Authority Files Band 14 License Renewal Application
RRMedia Group, August 26

Across the Country, Local Public Safety Agencies Detail Value of FirstNet Adoption State Tech, August 22

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We had a great week catching up with the fire service community at #FRI2022! Thanks to everyone who met with our team.

Want to learn more about how @FirstNet supports the fire service? Check out FirstNet.gov/fire.

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When hurricanes strike, first responders use @FirstNet to stay connected and #BeReady. Learn how FirstNet offers deployable communication assets to keep #publicsafety officials in contact 24/7/365. firstnet.gov/newsroom/blog/...

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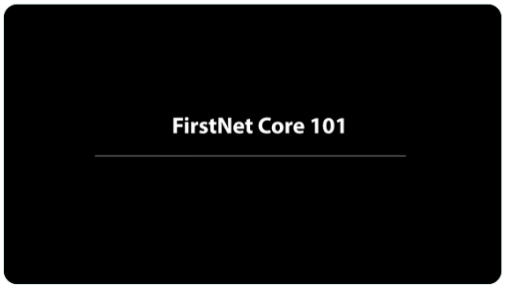
AR/VR, remote robot control, precise location determination – it all starts with the #FirstNet Core. And as the Core evolves to support 5G technologies (and beyond), the use cases for public safety are endless. Learn more at FirstNet.gov/core



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#FirstNetintheNews: With @FirstNet being adopted by public safety across all 50 states, five territories, and Washington D.C., first responders are using the network to respond to emergencies, track responders and assets, and communicate more efficiently: statetechmagazine.com/article/2022/0...

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