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FEATURED PUBLIC SAFETY ENGAGEMENT

FirstNet brings safety, security to Dover Motor Speedway and Firefly Music Festival

The “Monster Mile” at Dover Motor Speedway can be as tough on communications as it is on drivers. With more than a dozen public safety partners supporting races and the Firefly Music Festival, reliable connectivity is critical. FirstNet ensures responders can communicate and share information to help keep visitors safe.

Read more how FirstNet provides **first responders at the Firefly Music Festival** with situational awareness and clear lines of communication.

Honoring our nation’s first responders

October 28 marked National First Responders Day, a day to **recognize and honor** all first responders and the sacrifices they make to serve and protect our communities every day.

Watch the video.

SELECT UPCOMING ENGAGEMENTS

In-Person Events

New England Association of Police Chiefs Annual Training Conference, October 30 – November 2, Manchester, Vt.

AT&T Leadership Tour of FirstNet Lab and Public Safety Immersive Test Center (PSITC), November 4, Boulder, Colo.

PSAC TWG In-Person Meeting, Tour of FirstNet Lab and PSITC, November 8-9 Boulder, Colo.

TxiCC Annual Conference, November 9-10 Austin, Texas

VA EMS Symposium, November 9-13, Norfolk, Va.

PSAC In-Person Meeting, November 15-16, Tyson's Corner Va.

FirstNet Authority Combined Committee and Board Meeting, November 16, Tyson's Corner Va.

Virtual Meetings and Teleconferences

FirstNet EM Webinar: Communicating with Isolated Communities During Catastrophic Events, November 10

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

FIRSTNET IN ACTION

A View from Above: Increasing first responder situational awareness with drones

From missing person searches to HAZMAT incidents and holiday celebrations, first responders in Kentucky, North Carolina, and Texas use drone technology to gather critical situational awareness during emergencies and planned events. With FirstNet, footage from the drones can be streamed seamlessly back to decision makers on the ground.

Read more on how **first responders use innovative technology for situational awareness**.

Georgia police department switches from LMR to FirstNet

The Dallas Police Department in Georgia is the first in the state—and one of the first in the country—to completely switch from land mobile radios (LMR) to public safety broadband for their communications. Dallas Police Chief Joe Duvall shared how they made the

decision to switch and how it's going so far.

Learn more how the **Dallas Police Department** made the switch and how their lines of communications changed.

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 **Colorado**, **Echo Trail, Minnesota**, and **Northern Minnesota**.

FIRSTNET MOMENTUM

Agencies
23,000+

Connections
4 Million

FIRSTNET IN THE NEWS

Regional Coverage

City of Morristown, Hamblen County Government and Walters State Community College Join Tennessee Advanced Communications Network

Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security, October 14

National Coverage

Release 18 Moves Forward at 3GPP Plenary
Mission Critical Communications, October 18

AT&T's FirstNet helps drive 708,000 postpaid net adds in Q3
Fierce Wireless, October 20

FirstNet tops 4 million connections for 23,000-plus agencies, AT&T says
Urgent Communications, October 21

FirstNet Connections Reach 4M, AT&T Announces Financial Results
Mission Critical Communications, October 21

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