





Pres. Harbison, V.P. -Reickman, Sec. Gawaresky

## Winnebago County ARPA Commission

**September 22, 2023** 

Attn:

Supervisors Thomas Egan (Chair), Thomas Borchart, Morris Cox, Chuck Farrey, and Bob

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Ref:

Winnebago County Fire Chiefs Communications Needs

Sirs.

The WCFCA is requesting funding to replace our mobile, portable, and DVRS radios in the county. Our radios are the most important tool for firefighter safety. They are at the end of life and without your support, the municipalities will have to pass along the cost to the taxpayers or worse, not replace them. The allocation of ARPA funds for radio replacement would greatly help to alleviate the impact to almost all of the departments and citizens in the county. This cost is considered our highest priority and will continue interoperability between fire/law partnerships, which enable us to provide effective public safety to all residents and visitors in all of the communities in the county.

The amount below is an updated total of what it will cost to provide radios to the 14 fire departments who need them. This cost includes portable radios, chargers, batteries, mobile truck radios, and select DVRS repeaters. This number is to replace existing radios, not to add radios. Thank you in advance for your support of our request.

Total Project Cost: \$3,265,900

Cost Includes: Portable radios, chargers, batteries, mobile radios, select DVRS repeaters

Expected Project Start Date: Winter of 2023-2024

WCFCA- President
Chief Steve Gawaresky

## **Gregor, Cassie**

From:

Egan, Tom

Sent:

Wednesday, September 27, 2023 11:52 AM

To:

Gregor, Cassie

Subject: Attachments:

Fwd: Updated Winnebago County Radio Spirit Fund Request image001.jpg; WCFCA letter to ARPA commission 9-25-23.pdf

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Sweeney, Todd" <TSweeney@foxcrossingwi.gov>

Date: September 25, 2023 at 2:33:01 PM CDT

To: "Egan, Tom" < Tom. Egan@winnebagocountywi.gov>

Cc: Town of Oshkosh Fire Chief <firechief@town.oshkosh.wi.gov> Subject: Updated Winnebago County Radio Spirit Fund Request

Hello Tom, attached is the updated Spirit Fund Request from the Winnebago County Fire Chief's Association (WCFCA). As you requested, I contacted all departments in the county and compiled a list of radios that each department needed. Then I got a quote from our radio contact for them. I am also sending this letter as well as the quote from our radio vendor to Adam BellCorelli as requested. I appreciate your understanding with the confusion that may have happened as I took over for Chief Brian Harbison. Again, I thank you for your consideration toward this important request. Please give me a call if you have any questions. Have a great day!

## Todd Sweeney Fire Chief

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