IMPORTANT!! 9/30/2013 – All orders due to the Bucks County Radio Department.

Ordering Workshops and Updates:
To continue supporting all of the agencies, we will host 2 workshops every month through July 2013 on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 1900-2100 hours. The schedule is outlined below:

- 2nd Wednesday of each month: Station 93, 1195 York Road, Warminster, PA
- 4th Wednesday of each month: Station 26, 100 N. 5th Street, Perkasie, PA

Individual appointments can be arranged with the technicians by calling the radio shop at 215-345-3960.

Transmit Steered System:
In our on-going effort to provide adequate space in our shelters for the new deployment, we have identified that we will need to remove the Transmit Steered network. This is an under-utilized system that we will not carry forward into the new system. This system will be decommissioned by 6/30/2013. Please make the appropriate arrangements if you use this system for non-routine operations.

Finance Details News:
General:
- All Motorola orders must be processed through the County’s radio shop.
- The County will submit orders on behalf of each agency and will provide purchase orders for each department. Once the equipment is received, an invoice will be provided.
- System users are asked to complete the excel spreadsheets; and provide authorization from a chief, director or executive staff designee. Electronic signatures will be treated as originals and will serve as an official order for equipment. Your agency will be held to the order that is submitted and will be responsible for the costs associated with your order.
- The system cutover is slated for the 3rd quarter of 2014.

Grants:
- Please refer to the rules that govern your grant to ensure you are meeting those requirements.

County-funding:
- In order to take advantage of county funding, users will be required to sign a promissory note for their equipment.
- County financing will not be available until the end of the 1st quarter 2013.
- Installation and removal costs will be the responsibility of the agencies.

Replacements as a bridge until cutover:
- If an agency is looking to purchase replacement radios out of necessity, their repayment terms would be deferred until their full order is filled.
The County will not provide funding for the purchase of equipment or accessories not specifically planned for with the existing radio contract.

**Non-Motorola equipment:**
- We will allow funding for Motorola radios and accessories only.
- Non-Motorola equipment will not be purchased with County funds.

**Terms:**
- Repayment installment plans will not begin until one month after system acceptance.
- System users can select up to a 7 year repayment term. There is no early payment penalty. Agencies can make payments over a 7 year span with no early pre-payment penalties. The agencies will also receive the same borrowing rate that the County receives, **which is 1.5%**.

**County Towers:**
Structurals for all county towers have been completed by Advantage Engineers. Specifically — Thiokol, West Rockhill and Ivyland sites are in good shape and can handle the new equipment loading. Lower Southampton, Plumsteadville, Newtown and Buckwampum need some remediation. The county is working with Advantage Engineers to develop a plan to reinforce the four towers.

**Staging:**
The Radio Project team will be traveling to Motorola’s Campus for the Factory Staging Event during the week of June 9, 2013. Our team will have the ability test the actual equipment which will be placed here in the county; and will include quality assurance, safety, and redundancy. Here is a great snapshot of our equipment that is being prepared by the Motorola engineers!