

**PSAP Grant Program
Decision Brief**

Type of Request: FY 19 Grant Award Amendment	Date Submitted: April 2, 2018
PSAP: Powhatan County	Amount of Request: \$30,375.00
Staff Recommendation: Approve	

1. Briefly define the problem/issue:

Powhatan County is seeking a grant award amendment from the Board to increase the amount of their award for a Text-to-9-1-1 project from \$26,364 to \$56,737. The additional funding requested is \$30,373. The reason for the request is related to two recent developments that occurred after the 9-1-1 Services Board (the "Board") approved Powhatan's grant award on January 11, 2018.

2. Background (include important dates):

On March 14, 2018, Powhatan County was made aware that the quote they received from their CHE vendor did not include costs related to a firewall and server equipment. These items are necessary to upgrade the County's CHE to process Text-to-9-1-1 calls. The cost of these items is \$18,373.

On March 29, 2018, the Powhatan PSAP Manager was officially advised by the County's Director of Public Works that funding from the Courthouse Expansion Project was available to increase the number of CHE positions from four to six. The additional cost to provide Text-to-9-1-1 for these positions is \$12,000.

3. Major Considerations:

The error with the vendor quote and Powhatan County's decision to expand the number of CHE positions were beyond the control of the PSAP Manager. As a result, the cost of these items were not included in the grant application. In similar circumstances, the Board has approved additional grant funding. Also, Text-to-9-1-1 is a NG9-1-1 core service and all CHE positions would need to be able to process Text-to-9-1-1 calls.

4. Recommended action:

Staff recommends approval of the request.

5. Alternatives to recommended action:

None.