

Emergency Communications Board 4030 Esplanade Way Tallahassee, FL 32399-0950

April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Alachua County Board of County Commissioners Finance & Accounting Office 12 SE 1st Street, 4th Floor Gainesville, FL 32601

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Dear Alachua County Board of County Commissioners:

The 2014 Florida Legislature modified the Emergency Communications Number E911 Act in section 365.172, Florida Statutes, referencing E911 fees collections. The statutes require:

- Each wireless provider operating in Florida collects 40 cents monthly E911 fee.
- All Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) providers and local exchange carriers operating in Florida collect the monthly E911 fee. The fee is uniformly imposed throughout the state at 40 cents, except for those counties that, before July 1, 2007, had adopted an ordinance or resolution establishing a fee less than 50 cents per month per access line. In those counties, the fee established by ordinance may be changed only to the uniform statewide rate after the county's board of county commissioners makes notification to the Emergency Communications Board.
- Collection of a prepaid wireless E911 fee, imposed per retail transaction at a 40 cents rate.

These revenues are deposited in the insured, interest-bearing Emergency Communications Trust Fund account. The revenue received is disbursed to the counties by the Emergency Communications Board, based on 2023 legislative allocation percentages and the transaction locations and the customer billing address.

These payments include your county's 911 fee allocations for the period ending Jan 31, 2024, as follows:

Non-wireless Allocation	\$16,888.14
Prepaid Wireless Allocation	\$0.00
Wireless Allocation	\$74,430.04

For rural counties, an Emergency Communications Board supplemental disbursement may be included to provide a monthly minimum wireless disbursement of \$10,500.00.

## Supplemental Disbursement \$0.00

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Based on fee collections from the billing period ending Jan 31, 2024, your county is due to receive the following total E911 fee disbursements:

## Total E911 Fee Disbursements\$91,318.18

These funds shall be used solely to pay recurring and non-recurring costs of providing 911 or E911 service, as provided by subsections 365.172(10) and 365.173(2), Florida Statutes. Separate accounting should be established for the receipt and expenditure of all E911 fee revenues based on paragraph 365.173(2)(d), Florida Statutes.

It is with great pleasure that the Emergency Communications Board sends these funds and looks forward to continuing the monthly distribution of funds. The data used to derive this distribution contains confidential information and may not be disclosed by the Emergency Communications Board, in accordance with section 365.174, Florida Statutes.

If you have questions about these payments, the method of calculating the amounts or other issues related to the Emergency Communications Board, please contact either Victoria Holmes (850) 922-7445, <u>victoria.holmes@dms.fl.gov</u> or Leon Simmonds (850) 921-0041, <u>leon.simmonds@dms.fl.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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Denise Adkins, Director Division of Telecommunications

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