

# SAFECOM

## July 2014 Monthly Bulletin

Below is a snapshot of the work products and initiatives currently being developed by SAFECOM's four committees.

### Education and Outreach

- ▶ The Education and Outreach Committee is working with the National Public Safety Telecommunications Council to develop a SAFECOM video during the week of the APCO Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana, which is expected to be released in September.
- ▶ The Committee is finalizing the Introduction to SAFECOM presentation; the SAFECOM EC will review and approve the presentation during the August EC meeting.
- ▶ The Committee's ongoing products include coordinating with the Office of Emergency Communications on SAFECOM's web presence and developing a quarterly newsletter.
- ▶ The Education and Outreach Committee will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, August 27, 2014, at 2pm EDT.

### Funding and Sustainment

- ▶ The Funding and Sustainment Committee is reviewing a repository of emergency communication funding opportunities.
- ▶ The Committee has tentatively scheduled a webinar with Motorola for mid-September.
- ▶ The Funding and Sustainment Committee will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, August 20, 2014, at 4pm EDT.

### Technology Policy

- ▶ The Technology Policy Committee is finalizing the Broadband 101 presentation; the SAFECOM EC will review and approve the presentation during the August EC meeting.
- ▶ The Committee is working with the First Responder Network Authority to revise a series of broadband related fact sheets.
- ▶ The Technology Policy Committee will hold its next meeting on Thursday, August 14, 2014, at 3pm EDT.

### Governance

- ▶ The Governance Committee will begin revising the SAFECOM Governance Charter and will present suggested revisions at the August EC meeting.
- ▶ The SAFECOM Strategic Plan, with an accompanying comment matrix, will be distributed to all members once complete.
- ▶ Updates to the Establishing Governance to Achieve Statewide Communications Interoperability guide are in progress.
- ▶ During a recent meeting, the Membership Working Group nominated two new associations for SAFECOM membership, discussed nominations for the open Public Safety At-Large position, and discussed logistics for a SAFECOM ERC Membership Award.
- ▶ The Governance Committee will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, August 13, 2014, at 2pm EDT.

### SAFECOM Association Highlights and Current Events

- ▶ SAFECOM
  - The Executive Committee will meet in person on August 7, 2014, in New Orleans, Louisiana.
- ▶ National Public Safety Telecommunications Council (NPSTC)
  - NPSTC kicked off four new working groups during its July meeting: Broadband Priority and Quality of Service, Broadband Local Control Task Team, Bi-National Broadband Deployable Task Team, and Bi-National Cross Border. These working groups are open to anyone who wishes to participate. For more information, please contact Marilyn Ward ([mward@npstc.org](mailto:mward@npstc.org)).
- ▶ Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO)
  - APCO's 80th Annual Conference and Exposition will be held August 3-6, 2014, in New Orleans, Louisiana. The conference will include 100 programs and a public safety communications exposition.

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