

2011- I Ambulance Services Request for Information

What service or services are currently offered by Columbia County EMS?

Columbia County EMS is the 9-1-1 EMS service provider for all of Columbia County

What response time parameters are in place with the current system?

There are no written parameters; however the current ambulance average on scene time is approximately 14 minutes.

What relationship exists currently between the incumbent provider and the BOCC?

Columbia County EMS is a department of the Columbia County Board of County Commissioners

What QA/QI processes are currently in place within the Columbia County EMS system?

Columbia County EMS has an internal Continuous Quality Improvement process in place that includes review by the Medical Director

Is there data available to review the nature, location and response level (type) of call for the communities being serviced by Columbia County EMS?

There is no readily available data.

What additional services in particular is the BOCC looking for?

No additional services currently required.

Currently service levels and posting of units.

There are four (4) ALS ambulances. Operated from three (3) locations within Columbia County.

Copy of your current EMS budget

See attached

Number of runs vs transports for 2009 & 2010

2009 - 9311 vs 6008

2010 – 5919 vs 5902

Demographics about the county and areas you cover.

See Service area in RFQ

Any seasonal or special events that increase the population at any one time?

The area is generally considered to be the “Gateway to Florida”; therefore, the population may fluctuate based on numerous external factors. Some of which are the Olustee Festival, Rodeo events, Florida football home games, etc.

Current subsidy to support your county efforts.

Approximately \$1,200,000

Overview of the Radio communication system for the county. Use of AVL? GPS integration to CAD system.

Radio system for dispatch is a VHF repeater system operating on three (3) towers dividing the County into North, Central, and South zones. The three (3) local hospitals are in compliance with the Florida Emergency Medical Services Communication Plan.

The current ambulances have AVL tracking, but it has not yet been integrated into the CAD system. This is currently incomplete part of 9-1-1 system.

What CAD system is use, and brand of EPCR software?

The new CAD is the SmartCop CTS America CAD

Currently generating all EMS reports in writing on paper forms.

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BUDGET

MUNICIPAL SERVICES FUND

For the Year Ending September 30, 2011

	<u>2009-10</u>	<u>2010-11</u>
	Final Budget	Tentative Budget
REVENUES		
Taxes		
Small County Surtax	\$ 190,000	\$ 558,000
Franchise Fees - garbage	90,000	90,000
Licenses & permits:		
Occupational licenses	58,000	58,000
Competency cards	10,000	10,000
Building permits	195,000	185,000
Certification fees	1,000	1,000
Land use fees	80,000	65,000
	<u>344,000</u>	<u>319,000</u>
Non ad valorem assessments:		
Solid waste	3,400,000	3,400,000
Solid waste partial year	48,000	25,000
Solid waste delinquent	3,000	5,000
Fire services	2,700,000	2,700,000
Fire-partial year & delinquent	25,000	20,000
	<u>6,176,000</u>	<u>6,150,000</u>
Intergovernmental revenue:		
State revenue sharing	590,000	560,000
Mobile home licenses	22,000	22,000
Communications services tax	260,000	320,000
Half-cent sales tax	1,600,000	1,500,000
Half-cent sales tax-emergency	-	155,000
Racing tax	223,250	223,250
	<u>2,695,250</u>	<u>2,780,250</u>
Charges for services:		
Ambulance fees	1,500,000	1,300,000

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Miscellaneous:		
Interest earnings Board of County		
Commissioners	40,000	34,000
Miscellaneous	500	1,000
Tower rents	2,500	2,500
Other miscellaneous	200	-
Special assessment - Spring Hollow	1,500	1,500
	<u>44,700</u>	<u>39,000</u>
Total revenues	<u>11,039,950</u>	<u>11,236,250</u>
Less 5% of revenues	<u>(551,998)</u>	<u>(561,813)</u>
	10,487,952	10,674,437
Beginning Cash	3,000,000	3,000,000
TOTAL REVENUES AND BALANCES	<u><u>\$ 13,487,952</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 13,674,437</u></u>
APPROPRIATIONS		
Board of County Commissioners -		
Administrative fee - General Fund	\$ 157,500	\$ 157,500
Other current expenses	75,000	80,000
Fire/EMS merger costs	-	-
	<u>232,500</u>	<u>237,500</u>
Building and Zoning Department -		
Personal services	347,184	312,471
Other current expenses	161,332	161,332
Capital outlay	5,000	-
Furlough days (3)	-	-
	<u>513,516</u>	<u>473,803</u>
County Fire Services		
Personal services	2,121,511	2,289,680
Other current expenses	553,000	547,500
Capital outlay	-	-
Debt service	360,626	360,626
Furlough days (3)	-	-
	<u>3,035,137</u>	<u>3,197,806</u>

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Contractual Fire Agreements:		
Coop forest management	12,000	24,100
Sheriff - dispatch services	-	-
	<u>12,000</u>	<u>24,100</u>
Public safety		
Emergency Medical Service		
Personal services	1,895,247	1,909,547
Other current expenses	556,200	502,285
Capital outlay	-	-
Furlough days (3)	-	-
	<u>2,451,447</u>	<u>2,411,832</u>
911 Emergency Communications		
Other current expenses	-	-
EMS billing		
Personal services	80,012	109,466
Other current expenses	20,200	20,200
Furlough days (3)	-	-
	<u>100,212</u>	<u>129,666</u>
Tax Collector -		
Contractual services,		
Non ad valorem assessments	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
Accounting and auditing -		
Other current expenses	<u>5,000</u>	-
Addressing Department -		
Personal services	106,622	65,682
Other current expenses	37,187	37,187
Furlough days (3)	-	-
	<u>143,809</u>	<u>102,869</u>