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## **Charleston County receives new Unified Mobile Command**

Charleston County's Public Safety Directorate has received its Unified Mobile Command Unit (UMC). This unit will allow multiple public safety agencies to work together to manage emergency situations and improve public safety

communication.



"With the purchase of this critical public safety asset, we are strategically placing Charleston County in a forward-thinking position to respond to future challenges and improve the overall public safety environment for our citizens and visitors," said Deputy County Administrator of Public Safety Eric Watson.

The UMC will be shared between Charleston County's Consolidated 9-1-1 Center, Emergency Management, Emergency Medical Services, the Awendaw-McClellanville Fire Department and the Charleston County Sheriff's Office. It will be used for large crowd events, such as the Cooper River Bridge Run and PGA. Other counties and

agencies will also have the ability to utilize it for major public safety incidents.

#### Features and details:

- Ability to house four 9-1-1 call-takers and two supervisors.
- A conference room that holds 11 people.
- A full camera system, remote camera system, one FLIR camera and other advanced computerized technology that will be beneficial during search and rescue incidents.
- The UMC is 48 ft. long, weighs 47,000 lbs., and has four slide out features.
- The unit cost \$1,404,000, which was allocated by Charleston County Council.

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