



WELLSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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To Whom it may concern.

I have been with the Wellston Police Department for approximately 22 years. I currently serve as a Sergeant. We have battled problems with radios and radio communication for years. With our current system we are unable to communicate with other agencies in our county and the surrounding area.

The Wellston Police Department would greatly benefit from being able to go MARCS radios. We would be able to better serve our community and officer safety would be greatly improved. With our current system we are not even able to communicate with our own dispatch once we get just a short ways outside of our city, which happens on a very frequent basis. A grant for MARCS radios would do a lot for our department. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Sgt. Jered L. Warrens
Wellston Police Department



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Paul Haller
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Dear Reviewer:

Re: Wellston Police Department MARCS Radio Upgrades

As a County Commissioner, I would like to support the MARCS Radio Upgrades Project submitted by the Wellston Police Department.

The current system the Wellston Police Department utilizes will become obsolete in the next year. As a former probation officer, I can attest that having an open line of communication is vital to the safety of our officers and our communities.

All other agencies in this area have upgraded to MARCS. The Wellston Police Department is the only agency in the area that have no lines of communication with outside agencies when they are away from their cruisers or even sometimes outside of the Wellston city limits. These upgrades are a critical need for the Wellston Police Department.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this very important project. If you should have questions, please feel free to reach out to my office.

Respectfully,

Donnie Willis
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May 10, 2024

City of Wellston
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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my full support for the City of Wellston, Ohio Police Department's initiative to acquire MARCS radios. As the CEO & President of the Jackson County Economic Development Partnership, I am acutely aware of the importance of modernizing communication infrastructure, particularly in the realm of public safety.

The acquisition of MARCS radios by the City of Wellston Police Department signifies a significant step towards enhancing interoperability between departments and jurisdictions not only within Jackson County but also across the State of Ohio. In today's dynamic and interconnected environment, effective communication between law enforcement agencies is paramount to ensuring the safety and security of our communities. By investing in MARCS radios, the City of Wellston Police Department is not only prioritizing officer safety but also laying the foundation for a stable and expandable communication system for years to come. The advanced features and capabilities offered by MARCS radios will enable seamless coordination and collaboration among law enforcement personnel, ultimately leading to more efficient response times and improved outcomes in critical situations.

Furthermore, this modernization effort underscores the City of Wellston's commitment to staying abreast of technological advancements and best practices in public safety. As the landscape of law enforcement continues to evolve, it is imperative that our agencies have access to the tools and resources necessary to adapt and thrive in an ever-changing environment.

In conclusion, I wholeheartedly endorse the City of Wellston Police Department's endeavor to acquire MARCS radios and commend their proactive approach to enhancing communication capabilities. I am confident that this investment will yield significant dividends in terms of officer safety, operational efficiency, and overall public safety within our community.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and please do not hesitate to reach out if you require any further information or assistance.

Sincerely,

Samuel Brady
CEO & President
Jackson County Economic Development Partnership

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Dear Reviewer:

Re: Wellston Police Department MARCS Radio Upgrade Project

Before coming back to my hometown of Wellston, Ohio, I proudly served in the United States Airforce. Upon retirement, I returned and began serving my community—first as a City Council member, then as Service Director, and now I am proud to say that I am Mayor of my hometown.

Firstly, I would like to thank you for your consideration of this project and offer my support for this endeavor.

Without the proper means of communication, our officers will be helpless if an outside agency is needed. The current system in use by the Wellston Police Department is expected to be obsolete by next year. All other neighboring agencies, and possibly the entirety of the State of Ohio, have upgraded to MARCS. This leaves our officers vulnerable if an outside agency is needed. As a combat veteran, I can tell you this is unacceptable.

The safety of my City and my officers are top-priority; however the critical MARCS upgrades are very costly and will not fit into the budget of our small municipality. As Mayor, I feel like my hands are tied. We rely heavily on grant funding for almost every aspect of our operations. Without some sort of grant funding for this project, some extreme budget cuts will need to be made to ensure the safety of our officers.

Again, I would like to thank you for your time and consideration of this project. If you should have questions, please feel free to reach out to my office.

Respectfully,

Mayor Anthony Brenner
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Dear Reviewer:

Re: Wellston Police Department MARCS Radio Upgrades

As a County Commissioner, I would like to support the MARCS Radio Upgrades needed by the Wellston Police Department.

It is my understanding that the system on which the Wellston Police Department currently operates will become obsolete very soon. As such, they are the only agency in the area that have no lines of communication with outside agencies when they are away from their cruisers. All other agencies in this area have upgraded to MARCS.

As a Combat Veteran and an Auxiliary Police Officer, I would like to stress the importance of establishing reliable means of communication. Without these upgrades, these brave officers will be left vulnerable and the citizens of Wellston underserved. These upgrades are vital to the officers and the entire community.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this very important project. If you should have questions, please feel free to reach out to my office.

Respectfully,

Paul Haller, President
Jackson County Commissioners
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May 10, 2024

To whom it may concern:

As a twenty-year resident of Wellston, Pastor of a local Church and 4-year employee of the Wellston Police Department, I would like to express my support for the MARCS radio upgrade project for the Wellston Police Department. I feel that this is an imperative upgrade for the police department to be able to safely perform their duties and to be able to communicate with other area first responders.

Thank you for your time and consideration.



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