



COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

STATE SENATE

March 31, 2023

The Honorable James Comer
United States House of Representatives
67 North Main Street
Madisonville, Kentucky 42431

Dear Representative Comer:

Please accept this letter of support for the community project funding request of \$258,354 to purchase new equipment and dispatch technology to upgrade the Madisonville Police Department as they move into a new location. This opportunity will allow the police department to improve the protection of the community by expanding their 911 capabilities and telecommunications division.

Thank you for your consideration of this funding request. The Emergency Operations Center is vital to the safety and security of our citizens.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert M. Mills".

Robert M. "Robby" Mills
State Senator
District 4

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Commonwealth of Kentucky

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March 30, 2023

The Honorable James Comer
United States House of Representatives
2410 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Comer:

As state representative of Hopkins County, I am writing to express my support for the full amount of funding being requested, \$258,354 in Community Project Funding from the Appropriations Committee, by the Madisonville Police Department for improvement of its emergency operations.

The Madisonville Central Dispatch and 911 Emergency Operations Center is currently located in the basement of the Old Hopkins County Courthouse. The courthouse, which was built in the early 1900s, is not equipped to handle the technology needed for emergency operations as its 911 capabilities have expanded. As a result, the telecommunications division has outgrown its current home. Full funding of this project will allow the emergency operations to move to a new facility with more space for our valued telecommunicators as well as provide new equipment and upgraded technology for dispatchers.

Central Dispatch handles calls for 24 different agencies, and the Emergency Operations Center is vital to the safety and security of our residents. I urge you to support our community by providing full funding for this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Wade Williams'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Wade Williams
State Representative
District 4

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HOPKINS COUNTY FISCAL COURT

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Madisonville, Kentucky 42431
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JUDGE EXECUTIVE
Jack Whitfield, Jr.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
Laura Harvey

March 24, 2023

To Whom it May Concern:

I write on behalf of the Madisonville Police Department to express my support for its initiative to move our 911 Emergency Operations Center from the basement of the Hopkins County Historic Courthouse to a more modern and larger facility.

It has been a pleasure to provide our space for such a critical service over the years, but we are also pleased to acknowledge that 911 capabilities have expanded in recent years so much so that our telecommunications division has outgrown its current home. This project will not only provide extra office space for our valued telecommunicators, but also include new equipment and upgraded technology for our dispatchers.

The Hopkins County Fiscal Court is committed to providing high-quality emergency communications systems to the residents of our region, and we fully support this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jack Whitfield, Jr.".

Jack Whitfield, Jr.

Hopkins County Judge Executive

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District 1

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CITY OF
Madisonville

Kevin Cotton
MAYOR

March 24, 2023

Congressman James Comer
Washington DC

Dear Congressman Comer:

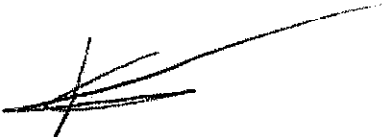
As Mayor of the City of Madisonville, I am writing to express my support for the full amount of funding being requested by the Madisonville Police Department for improvement of their emergency operations.

The Madisonville Central Dispatch and 911 Emergency Operations Center is currently located in the basement of the old Hopkins County Courthouse. This space is not large enough to accommodate their needs. In addition, the courthouse was built in the early 1900's and is not equipped to handle the technology needed for emergency operations. Full funding of this project will allow the emergency operations to move to a newer facility that would provide more adequate space and also purchase much needed technology upgrades for the 911 system.

Central Dispatch handles calls for 24 different agencies and the Emergency Operations Center is vital to the safety and security of our citizens. I urge you to support our community by providing full funding for this project.

Sincerely,

CITY OF MADISONVILLE



Kevin Cotton
Mayor



Hopkins County Sheriff's Office

Matt Sanderson, Sheriff

56 N. Main Street • Madisonville, KY 42431

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From: Matt Sanderson

Date: 03-24-2023

Ref: 911 Emergency Operations Center

The Hopkins County Sheriff's Office is in full support of relocating the Madisonville Central Dispatch and its 911 Emergency Operations Center from the basement of the old Hopkins County courthouse to a newer facility with more space. Due to having outgrown the current location, and the need to purchase new and upgraded technology, we feel this would be a much needed move and improvement.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt Sanderson", written over a horizontal line.

Matt Sanderson, Sheriff
Hopkins County, KY

Budget for Madisonville Dispatch Equipment Upgrade (during transition to new facility)

- Computers, monitors, internet infrastructure - \$58,337.00
- Automated door locks and security cameras - \$7,971.00
- 6 Xybix 911 Dispatch Consoles - \$147,776.00
- 20 monitors / control center for RTTC inside dispatch - \$44,270.00

TOTAL - \$258,354.00



This would be the new dispatch room. They have outdated consoles and have a quote for new ones- but there currently isn't any funding for this. The walls would be lined with TVs that would display real time traffic maps and CCTV footage from the City and County.



This room would be their crisis center. TV's could potentially show school CCTV footage- agreements and technology upgrades may be needed.