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# CCOA Overview

#### Who We Represent

CCOA currently represents 23 911 authorities across Colorado. We work together to ensure a unified voice among 9-1-1 authorities and advocate for improvements in emergency communication services

#### What We Do

We are a non-profit membership-based association dedicated to supporting 9-1-1 Authority Boards in Colorado. CCOA provides collaboration, support, and communication on matters impacting 9-1-1 services. Our mission includes promoting 9-1-1 initiatives, best practices, and program implementation. We also represent member interests in legislative initiatives and with 9-1-1 providers and vendors

#### **CCOA**

# Meet the Team

- Arapahoe County 911 Authority
- Delta Emergency Telephone Authority
- Denver E911 Authority Board
- Douglas Emergency Telephone Authority
- Eagle County 9-1-1 Telephone Service Authority
- El Paso Teller County 9-1-1 Authority
- Elbert 9-1-1 Authority
- Federal Heights 9-1-1 Authority
- Fremont County Emergency Telephone Authority
- Garfield County Emergency Communications Authority
- Gilpin County 911 Authority
- Grand Junction Emergency Telephone Authority
- Gunnison 9-1-1 Authority
- Kit Carson 9-1-1 Authority
- Lake County Emergency Authority
- Larimer Emergency Telephone Authority
- Montrose Emergency Telephone Service Authority
- Morgan County 9-1-1 Authority
- Ouray County Emergency Telephone Service Authority
- Pitkin County Regional Emergency Telephone Service Authority
- Pueblo County
- San Miguel Emergency Telephone Authority
- Summit County Emergency Telephone Authority



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# **ROUTING 911**

## Step 1: Dialing 911

- Cell phone: radio waves + tower \* over 80% of 911 calls are wireless
- Landline: fiber + copper wires
- Wifi: internet to phone network

# Step 2: Routing the Call

- Cell Phone: routed to a Mobile Switching Center (MSC)
  - Tower
  - Location-based routing
- Landline: routed through the Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN).
- Wi-Fi: routed through the internet and then to the PSTN or MSC
- To Note: Carrier (e.g., AT&T, Verizon) -> Century Link --> 911 Agency

## **Step 3: Location**

- Cell Phone: GPS and cell tower triangulation
  Uber can find me, why can't you?
- Landline: Location is automatically identified via Automatic Location Identification (ALI).
- Wi-Fi: Location can be determined by the Wi-Fi network address or GPS

# Step 4: Answering the Call

 Prioritizing 911 calls: dedicated lines, traffic control, call preemption

## Step 5: Send Help



### **PREPAID WIRELESS**

FLAT FEE BY PUC: \$1.88

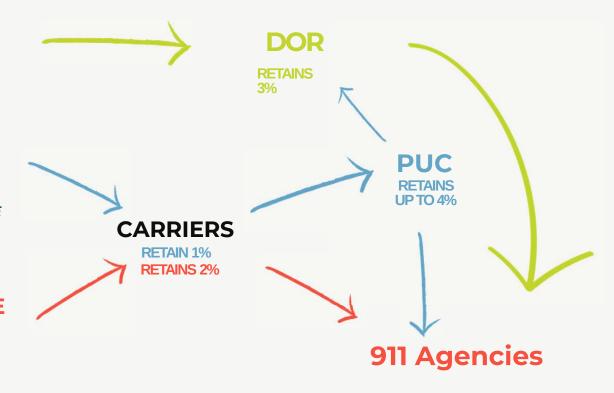


#### 911 STATE SURCHARGE

- FEE SET BY PUC: \$0.09
- COMING SOON: 139 ENTERPRISE FEE

911 LOCAL SURCHARGE

**STATE AVG.: \$1.97** 



# 911 Surcharge Fee



# Current Landscape

#### **CCOA**

## 911 is affected in two primary ways:

• 80% of 911 calls are wireless

## (1) Population Growth vs. infrastructure

## (2) Terrain

- Community solutions: text-to-911
- Expanding tech abilities:
  - Satellite to wireless





# CURRENT COURSE

What we've been working on & Where we're headed

- O Accessibility
  - · e.g., text, video

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**Master Contracts** 



• CCOA negotiates with vendors for deal

- 03 Unified Voice
  - 911 agencies work together to have unified voice at state and federal level to ensure our communities are protected.
  - Proud of our relationships especially with wireless partners
- Wildfire & Emergency Response
  - e.g., COW, field comms



# Thanks & Questions