

## Board Members

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## 2023 Board Meeting Dates

- March 15, 2023
- June 14, 2023
- September 13, 2023
- December 13, 2023

Meeting Location:  
Michigan State Police Headquarters  
7150 Harris Drive  
Dimondale, MI 48821

All meetings begin promptly at 2:00 p.m. in the 1917 Room on the first floor of MSP Headquarters (Unless otherwise indicated).

## Michigan's Annual Statewide Interoperable Communications Conference

The Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division in partnership with MPSCS host an annual training conference designed for federal, state, and local communication experts and emergency response personnel. The conference provides education and information about the advantages of statewide interoperable communications.

Date: February 27-29, 2024  
Location: VanDyk Mortgage Convention Center  
Muskegon, Michigan

## Have a question about the Michigan Public Safety Communications Interoperability Board?

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Michigan's SWIC

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## Michigan Public Safety Communications Interoperability Board

The Michigan Public Safety Communications Interoperability Board (MPSCIB) is focused on all aspects of interoperable emergency communications, the defined areas of the emergency communications space from the citizen to the first responder. The Board also is responsible for overseeing the Michigan's Public Safety Communications System (MPSCS) an 800/700 MHz radio system and telecommunications network that also provides public safety specific mobile technology and applications integrated into the network.

# Work Groups Reporting to the Board

## **AUXCOMM Work Group**

The Auxiliary Communications (AUXCOMM) Work Group coordinates the awareness, development, training, and implementation of AUXCOMM to support public safety agencies throughout Michigan. The work group's vision is to ensure AUXCOMM personnel across the state are effectively supporting public safety through communications and other services

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BarcroftJ@Michigan.gov  
www.Michigan.gov/auxwg

## **Communications Unit Work Group (COMU WG)**

The COMU WG established and maintains the State's COMU personnel position recognition and renewal process. They currently support COML and COMT positions and are looking forward to expanding to tactical dispatchers and beyond. Communications exercises and the Michigan Field Operations Guide are just a few other initiatives the group supports for the board.

Contact:  
DTMB-MiCOMU@Michigan.gov  
www.Michigan.gov/comuwg

## **Encryption Work Group**

The Encryption Work Group provides education and guidance to MPSCS member agencies regarding the programming, keyloading and use of encryption features on 700/800 MHz radios. This work group also develops options for MPSCIB for future encryption policies and roadmap decisions.  
Contact: MSPCS-RPU@Michigan.gov

## **Fire Paging Work Group**

The Fire Paging Work Group educates and informs the Interoperability Board on pager implementation plans to guide agencies in transitions from analog to P25 paging. They work to develop user training guidelines and pre-deployment testing, address in-building coverage issues, and develop mitigation techniques to facilitate in-building public safety communications.  
Contact: MellonA@Michigan.gov

## **Public Alerting Work Group**

The Public Alerting Work Group strives to provide, promote, and coordinate public alerting awareness and education in support of local and state government agencies in conjunction with broadcast partners. The group's vision is to ensure Michigan emergency management programs and broadcast partners are prepared to alert the public effectively and efficiently during crisis situations.

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## **Security Work Group**

The Security Work Group is the newest work group to report to the MPSCIB. This work group's mission is to help ensure that Michigan's emergency communication system remains resilient and secure. The work group assists in identifying best practices surrounding security of emergency communications, increasing awareness of security surrounding interoperability, and disseminating best practices on cyber security and physical security surrounding the emergency communications ecosystem.

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## **Southeast Michigan Urban Area Security Initiative Interoperable Communications Committee**

The Southeast Michigan Urban Area Security Initiative Interoperable Communications Committee is regrouping and managing a transition from a major focus on technology purchase and implementation to a greater emphasis on procedures and exercises. In conjunction with that effort, the Committee is discussing ways to disseminate interoperable communications information and implement recommended changes throughout the six county region, with 65 PSAP's and numerous police, fire, EMS and ancillary organizations involved in those communications.

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