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## Message from Sheriff Stanek

Dear Law Enforcement Friends:

As I write this, I am headed to San Diego for the 2016 International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Conference, along with FirstNet President TJ Kennedy and FirstNet Senior Advisers Mike Bostic (law enforcement), Bill Hinkle (9-1-1), Adam Geisler (tribal outreach), Dave Buchanan (state consultation) and others.



Technology is changing police work, allowing us to leverage social media and share data faster. Mobile devices have become a standard part of our daily and emergency operations and we need to be able to transmit large amounts of data and rely on communications that don't fail during emergencies. I am proud to represent FirstNet because we are working to give public safety their own dedicated, nationwide wireless network so you will not have to compete with private users for access during emergencies or natural disasters. FirstNet is working to give law enforcement its own dedicated wireless network nationwide – so as a FirstNet subscriber you will never have to compete for access with private users. When fully launched, this network will allow first responders to share information in real time with minimal interruptions and delays.

The first responder community worked to get a dedicated nationwide network, and I'm happy to say, that work is paying off. FirstNet is soon to announce its industry partner for building the network. In 2017, FirstNet will deliver plans for each governor's approval, and by the end of next year we plan to lay the foundation for deployment. It's an exciting time for police, and it's an exciting time for FirstNet. Come visit FirstNet at Booth #1418 and Client Suite #517, and look for FirstNet on the IACP scheduled events. Please stop by and say hello!

Rich

Sheriff of Hennepin County, Minn., and  
FirstNet Board Member

## FirstNet at the 2016 IACP Conference and Expo



FirstNet President TJ Kennedy knows firsthand the importance of communications to law enforcement. "As a former state trooper, I know how vital reliable communications are," TJ said. "I appreciate the importance of transmitting information when you're first on the scene of an incident, and how critical it is to receive information from other first responders during an emergency."

TJ will be part of a panel discussion at this year's IACP conference at the San Diego Convention Center, "FirstNet Early Builder Panel: Real World Uses of Public Safety Long Term Evolution (LTE)" on Monday, Oct. 17, from 8-9:30 a.m. in Room 6D. The panel will discuss FirstNet pilot projects in New Jersey, Los Angeles and Harris County, Texas, that have operated on FirstNet's designated 700 Megahertz band spectrum.

"The FirstNet network will be reliable and will enable law enforcement to exchange voice and visual data on a high-speed, wireless platform, designed for public safety users," he said in a pre-conference interview. "FirstNet will bring interoperability, so that police can exchange information with fire and EMS personnel, as well."

Also, on Saturday, Oct. 15, from 2-3 p.m., FirstNet Adviser and former Chief Information Officer for the Seattle Police Department, Bill Schrier, will discuss: "The Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network: Where We Are and Where we Are Going." The session will look at the evolution of technology through FirstNet, including how better data capabilities will improve technologies such as in-car cameras, body-worn devices and other applications.

The FirstNet sessions likely will complement other panel discussions about the role of technology in policing, including "Real-time Crime: Social Media and Data Extraction," "The New Reality of Situational Awareness," "Leveraging Technology to Secure Major Events," and others at the convention.

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## News

FirstNet recently added several law enforcement veterans to its team. **Mike Bostic** is FirstNet's new senior law



enforcement advisor. Mike spent 34 years in the Los Angeles Police Department before starting a second

career in the telecommunications industry where he worked in Raytheon's open architecture and systems integration division, and most recently served as Nokia's director of customer advocacy. FirstNet also has added **Bill Schrier** to its staff. Bill was the Chief Information Officer for the Seattle Police Department when **Gov. Jay Inslee** appointed him as Washington's Single Point of Contact (SPOC) for FirstNet. Other new members to FirstNet's law enforcement staff include **David Faulkner** and **Chrissie Coon**. David is FirstNet's law enforcement lead for Region 9, which includes California, Arizona and Nevada. He was a Phoenix Police Department commander when he retired in June of 2015. Chrissie is FirstNet's public safety liaison for communications. She is a former police officer and public information officer for the North Las Vegas Police Department. In other news:



- The 15-member FirstNet Board has two law enforcement members to represent your needs: Sheriff Rich Stanek, Hennepin County, Minnesota and Chief Chris Burbank (Ret.), Salt Lake City Police Department.
- FirstNet's Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) recently added two new law enforcement members: Michael Gimore, supervisory special agent for the FBI, and Kraig E. Moise, acting associate chief of Customs and Border Protection. Gilmore and Moise will serve as chair and vice chair, respectively, of the committee's Federal Working Group.

- FirstNet President TJ Kennedy and former New Orleans Police Chief Ronal Serpas appeared on New Orleans CBS affiliate [WWLTV's morning news show](#) during the EMS World Expo, Oct. 5, to talk about efforts to give first responders their own wireless network.

## What You Can Do

- The FirstNet Network is being built for first responders. It is important for you to endorse FirstNet to your local and state officials. For governors to approve FirstNet for your state, they need to hear that their first responders want and need it. Tell them how much it helps public safety to have interoperable equipment and dedicated broadband that will allow you to share large amounts of data anytime, anywhere and without interruption.
- Contact your State Single Point of Contact (SPOC). Names and contact information are here: <http://www.firstnet.gov/consultation/spoc>
- Spread the word about FirstNet in the public safety community, either by word-of-mouth or social media
- Write to your professional associations such as [IACP](#), [Major Cities Chiefs](#), [National Sheriffs' Association](#), and [Major County Sheriffs' Association](#) and ask them to pass a resolution in support of FirstNet
- Follow [FirstNet](#) social media sites

## About FirstNet

Congress created the First Responder Network Authority in 2012 at the recommendation of the 9-1-1 Commission. FirstNet is an independent authority within the Commerce Department's National Telecommunications and Information Administration. FirstNet is governed by a 15-member board comprised of fire, police, EMS, 9-1-1, industry representatives, and government leaders.

## Data Points

- The number of police and detective jobs is projected to grow 4 percent by 2024
- The number of police and detective jobs nationwide in 2014 was 806,400
- Median pay for police and detectives nationwide was \$60,270 in 2015
- The top-paying states for patrol officers is California, followed by New Jersey, then Alaska
- Washington, D.C., has the highest concentration of patrol officers, followed by Mississippi, then Georgia
- The highest concentration of detectives and investigators are in Washington, D.C., followed by Arizona, then New Mexico  
\*Data from the federal [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#)



Events Calendar	Date
Major City Chiefs Association Annual Fall Meeting (San Diego)	Oct. 13-15
IACP Annual Conference & Expo (San Diego)	Oct. 15-18
Washington Sheriffs & Police Annual Conference (Chelan, Wash.)	Nov. 14-17
Arizona Sheriffs Association Annual Conference (Location TBD)	Dec. 1-2
2017 NSA Annual Conference (Reno, Nev.)	June 23-28