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PCSO Mobile Command Center

PUTNAM COUNTY, TN – The Putnam County Sheriff’s Office has added a Mobile Command Center (MCC) to our arsenal of critical incident response and event management vehicles. The primary use for the MCC will be split between large scale crime scenes as incident command and joint operation coordination, where there are public safety disciplines and agencies. With the functionality and accessibility to nearly everything Deputies would have in the office readily available in the field, the MCC is an invaluable resource.

“We are always looking for ways to improve our Office and the services we provide to the residents of Putnam County,” said Sheriff Farris. “The Mobile Command Center will enable our Deputies to quickly and efficiently communicate with the Dispatch and Warrants divisions and other agencies during large scale events. This equipment enables our Office to immediately respond to crime scenes and provide the highest level of service and professionalism possible to our community. We owe a big thank you to Putnam County 911 for their assistance in equipping the vehicle for service.”

The center will provide a private dedicated space for communications and provide much needed added surveillance at events. Typically, mobile command centers are used as communication hubs during emergency situations. That can range from man-made or natural disasters to fun social events and gatherings that may need law enforcement attention. Surveillance is critical at these times, and the MCC will allow law enforcement to have more eyes on the streets. Putnam County hosts several big events throughout the year (Christmas parades, Fall Fun Fest, TSSAA, the Hog Rally, etc.) As we have seen in other incidents throughout the country and world, extra precautions must be taken to protect organizers, participants, and residents in this day and age. Preparedness and readiness is key.

A brand new mobile command center unit is a resource that, with current budget restrictions, we would not be able to obtain under normal circumstances. Farber Coaches had previously built the unit for the military to be used as a bloodmobile at Portsmouth Naval Station in Virginia, but because of our work with the Military Surplus LESO program the Sheriff’s Office was able to acquire, refurbish, and outfit the entire vehicle for service without cost to citizens of Putnam County.

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