

February 5, 2016

Text to 911 Coming Soon

As a result of recent investments the Board of Commissioners have made in 911 communications technology, the 911 Center will soon (within the next 6 months) be able to begin receiving 911 alerts via text message.

Earlier this week the 911 staff advised the various cell phone providers (e.g., Verizon, AT&T, Sprint, T-Mobile, US Cellular, Carolina West Cellular, etc.) the County has the technology and infrastructure in place to begin receiving emergency alerts via text message. The cellular carriers have up to six (6) months to make the appropriate modifications to their system to enable this technology in Stanly County.

As the various cellular carriers advise they are close to full implementation, the County's 911 staff will issue press releases to inform and educate the public of this new feature and the guidelines associated with its use.

FY 15-16 Sales Tax Update

Sales tax revenues for December 2015 (February report) were \$83,030 (16%) higher than November 2015 (January report).

However, December 2015 sales tax revenues were \$31,139 (5%) lower than the same revenues in December 2014.

When comparing sales tax results for the six (6) month period from July to January in FY 15-16 versus the same time period in FY 14-15, total sales tax revenues are up \$144,519 (3.8%).

Staff will continue to monitor sales tax revenues on a monthly basis and provide updates to the Board.

Cardinal Innovations Mid-Year Report

Cardinal Innovations Healthcare (Mental Health Managed Care Organization) has provided the County with its FY 15-16, mid-year performance report.

From July 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015 a total of 2,746 distinct mental health consumers were served. This is a decrease of 121 (4.2%) over the same time period last year. The overwhelming majority (N = 1,846, 67%) were served via outpatient treatment services.

Through December 31, approximately 51% of the County's annual appropriation was spent on services. The largest expenditures of County dollars have been urgent mental health care access (\$41,232, 40%) and indigent psychotropic medication assistance (\$32,043, 31%).

Daymark and Monarch were the top two (2) providers with respect to numbers served (**total of 1,361**). Meanwhile, Monarch and GHA were the top (2) providers with respect to paid claims (**total of \$2,624,942**).

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Board Planning Retreat	Friday, February 12 9:00 AM Airport
Regular Board Meeting	Monday, February 15 7:00 PM Commons Meeting Room