Funding Reconsiderations

PSAP funding reconsiderations are not grants as authorized by G.S. 143B-1407. There are two methods by which a PSAP’s funding distribution may be modified. Both are identified as funding reconsiderations. The first (Section A below) occurs following notice of the 911 Board’s proposed funding in December of each year, and the second (Section B below) occurs within the first quarter of the fiscal year (i.e. after 1 July and before 1 October) after distributions begin. Funding reconsiderations may be considered by the NC 911 Board pursuant to GS 143B-1406(a)(1) and 143B-1406(a)(2).

A. GS 143B-1406(a)(1), Reconsideration of the Monthly Distribution

The Board must notify PSAPs of the estimated distributions no later than December 31 of each year. The Board must determine actual distributions no later than June 1 of each year. The Board must determine a method for establishing distributions that is equitable and sustainable and that ensures distributions for eligible operating costs and anticipated increases for all funded PSAPs. The Board must establish a formula to determine each PSAP’s base amount. The formula must be determined and published to PSAPs in the first quarter of the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year in which the formula is used. The Board may not change the funding formula for the base amount more than once every year.

1. The Board will provide estimated monthly distribution amounts to eligible PSAPs on or before 31 December of each year. Those amounts will apply to distributions beginning 1 July of the next calendar year and extend for the fiscal year beginning on that date.
   a. Following receipt of the Board’s notice of estimated distributions, an eligible PSAP may provide notice to the Board that the estimated distribution will not meet the eligible expenses of the PSAP for the fiscal year beginning 1 July.
   b. Any such notice by a PSAP must include the PSAP’s budget, most recent final revenue expenditure report, itemized detailed invoices, itemized detailed quotes, any statements of Work associated with the request, 5 year capital replacement plan, identification of capital expenses and operating expenses together with the PSAP’s budget supporting the request, and demonstrating financial support for any necessary but ineligible expenses.
   c. Any notice and request for additional funds must be delivered by 28 February.
2. The 911 Board Staff will review all requests. The Staff may request such other and further information as deemed necessary to fully consider the request. PSAPs shall provide such information as requested pursuant to GS 143B-1406(f).
3. The Board’s Funding Committee will review Staff recommendations for each PSAP request. PSAP representatives shall attend meetings, or participate by conference call, of the Funding Committee to present their requests, provide additional information, clarification, and address issues identified by the Staff or the Committee.
4. The Funding Committee shall act without delay in any action taken, and shall make a recommendation to the 911 Board for action no later than the Board’s May meeting.

B. GS 143B-1406(a)(4), Reconsideration for Additional Distributions

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In the first quarter of the Board's fiscal year, the Board must determine whether payments to PSAPs during the preceding fiscal year exceeded or were less than the eligible costs incurred by each PSAP during the fiscal year. If a PSAP receives less than its eligible costs in any fiscal year, the Board may increase a PSAP's distribution in the following fiscal year above the base amount as determined by the formula to meet the estimated eligible costs of the PSAP as determined by the Board. The Board may not distribute less than the base amount to each PSAP except as provided in subsection (c) of this section. The Board must provide a procedure for a PSAP to request a reconsideration of its distribution or eligible expenses.

1. The increase in a PSAP’s distribution pursuant to GS 143B-1406(a)(4), if any, shall have an effective date commensurate with the beginning of the fiscal year; actual distributions will be determined by the Board in an equitable manner.
   a. In the event a PSAP determines that the monthly distributions will not be sufficient to meet its eligible expenses, and such determination is made during the first quarter of the Board’s fiscal year, the PSAP may request additional distributions.
   b. Any such request by a PSAP must include the PSAP’s budget, most recent final revenue expenditure report, itemized detailed invoices, itemized detailed quotes, any statements of Work associated with the request, 5 year capital replacement plan, identification of capital expenses and operating expenses together with the PSAP’s budget supporting the request, and demonstrating financial support for any necessary but ineligible expenses.
   c. Any notice and request for additional funds must be delivered by 31 August.
2. The 911 Board Staff will review all requests. The Staff may request such other and further information as deemed necessary to fully consider the request. PSAPs shall provide such information as requested pursuant to GS 143B-1406(f).
3. The Board’s Funding Committee will review Staff recommendations for each PSAP request. PSAP representatives shall attend meetings, or participate by conference call, of the Funding Committee to present their requests, provide additional information, clarification, and address issues identified by the Staff or the Committee.
4. The Funding Committee shall act without delay in any action taken, and shall make a recommendation to the 911 Board for action no later than the end of the first quarter of the Board’s fiscal year.

C. 911 Board Action
1. Increased funding for operating expenses, if any, will be provided with monthly distributions of the base amount. Increased funding for capital expenses, if any, will be provided upon receipt of invoices and other supporting documentation that the PSAP has procured the goods and services funded.
2. PSAP representatives shall attend 911 Board meetings to present their requests, provide additional information, clarification, and support their requests.