

OFFICE OF UNIFIED COMMUNICATIONS PROPOSED FY 2025 PERFORMANCE PLAN

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1 OFFICE OF UNIFIED COMMUNICATIONS

Mission: The mission of the Office of Unified Communications (OUC) is to provide accurate, professional and expedited service to the citizens and visitors of the District of Columbia. This service is performed by a team that handles emergency and non-emergency calls that are received when individuals dial 911and 311 in Washington, DC. OUC also provides centralized, District-wide coordination and management of public safety voice radio technology and other public safety communication systems and resources to District government agencies and several local, state, and federal partners.

Services: Emergency Calls: The Office of Unified Communications (OUC) handles 911 calls from people in Washington DC requesting police, fire and emergency medical services, with a goal to answer every call within ten seconds. City Services & General Inquiries: OUC provides a one-stop customer service experience for residents and visitors of Washington DC via the 311 system. 311 is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to inquire about city services or to request scheduled services such as trash removal, pothole repair, bulk pick-ups and recycling collection. Citywide Radio Service: OUC provides centralized, District-wide coordination and management of public safety voice radio technology and other public safety wireless communication systems and resources. OUC provides these services to District agencies and other local, state, and federal entities within the National Capital Region. 911/311 Records Management:OUC maintains records and utilizes highly specialized archival systems to research files related to all 911 and 311 communications. The purpose of this research is to provide audio files and other data to partnering local and federal government agencies, as well as the general public.

2 PROPOSED 2025 OBJECTIVES

Strategic Objective

Provide efficient, professional and cost effective responses to 911 communications.

Provide efficient, professional and cost effective responses to interactions initiated through 311 platforms.

 $\label{provide} Provide \ state-of-the-art \ emergency \ and \ non-emergency \ communications.$

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3 PROPOSED 2025 OPERATIONS

Operation Title	Operation Description	Type of Operation			
Provide efficient, professional and cost effective responses to 911 communications.					
Answers all incoming 911 calls	The 911 Operations Division receives all 911 calls in the District. Highly trained call takers utilize specialized telephony systems to answer calls and follow specific protocols to probe callers and ensure the most appropriate responses to their needs. In particular, call takers often provide crisis intervention services provide pre-arrival instructions for emergency medical calls. Call takers also enter caller provided information to create incident records and electronically transfer each incident record onsite to highly trained dispatchers. 911 call takers handle over 1.4 million calls annually.	Daily Service			
Dispatches MPD and FEMS units/apparatus in response to 911 calls	Highly trained 911 dispatchers coordinate responses to incidents on behalf of MPD and FEMS. Using the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system, dispatchers support and assist in the coordination of on-scene incident responses by first responder units and apparatus. Dispatchers are also responsible for monitoring units availability in the field and communicating with on-scene first responders to keep them apprised of new information or changes and to coordinate support from additional units as necessary. The 911 Operations Division manages over 400,000 CAD events annually.	Daily Service			
Provide efficient, professional a Answers all incoming 311 calls	The 311 Operations Division is the access point for residents and visitors requiring DC government services and/or information. The Division supports the dissemination of general information about the government, including telephone numbers, agency program details, agency hours of operation and other information. The Division handles approximately 2.1 million calls annually.	rough 311 platforms. Daily Service			
Provides service request status updates and information for servicing agencies	The Division engages with the public to take reports of missed scheduled services and provide service request status information to callers. To be clear, the OUC is not responsible for the provision of city services. Instead, the city agencies that provide such services have service level agreements which outline the expected level of performance for each request type. Further, the 311 Division does not close service request tickets.	Daily Service			

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Supports city service request processing for servicing agencies (DPW, DOT, DOEE, etc.)	The Division supports the submission of scheduled service requests such as trash removal, pothole repair, bulk pick-ups and recycling collection, on behalf of partnering service agencies like DPW and DOT, through a number of platforms, including via telephone, web and mobile app. The agency also schedules driver's license testing for DMV and coordinates appointments for energy assistance applicants on behalf of the DOEE. In total, the Division currently takes over 120 service types for 12 different District agencies.	Daily Service

Provide state-of-the-art emergency and non-emergency communications.				
Manages the District's public	The Information Technology Division provides	Key Project		
safety communications and city	centralized, District-wide coordination and			
service request platforms and	management of public safety and other city services			
infrastructure	communications technology, including voice radio,			
	911/311 telephony, computer aided dispatch systems			
	(CAD), citizen interaction relationship management			
	(CIRM) systems, mobile data computing systems			
	(MDC) and other technologies, including wireless and			
	data communication systems and resources.			
Develops public safety	The Information Technology Division develops and	Key Project		
communications policies and	enforces policy directives and standards regarding			
maintains and purchases all	public safety and non-public safety communications;			
related equipment and facilities	operates and maintains of public safety and			
	non-public safety voice radio technology; manages			
	building facilities that support public safety voice			
	radio technology and call center technology; and			
	reviews and approves all agency proposals, purchase			
	orders, and contracts for the acquisition of public			
	safety voice radio technology and call center			
	technology systems, resources, and services.			
Provides 24 hour technical	The Information Technology Division provides 24x7,	Daily Service		
support and maintenance on all	highly specialized tech support and maintenance for			
public safety communications	public safety communications devices, including			
devices and equipment	tablets and radios, deployed to MPD and FEMS users			
	in the field.			

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Authenticates 911 and 311	Transcriptionists testify in court to authenticate 911	Daily Service
records in criminal and civil	and 311 records and/or to explain event chronologies	
proceedings	in both criminal & civil proceedings, under direct	
	examination by judiciary entities.	

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Operation Title	Operation Description	Type of Operation
Serves as custodian of all 911 and 311 communications records	The Transcription Division serves as the custodian of records and utilizes highly specialized archival systems to research files related to all 911 and 311 communications. The purpose of this research is to locate and create discrete audio files and other data to local public safety agencies for internal administrative reviews and to federal government agencies for use during criminal and civil court proceedings.	Daily Service

4 PROPOSED 2025 KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND WORKLOAD MEASURES

Measure	Directionality	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024 Target	FY 2025 Target
Provide efficient, professional and cost e	ffective respon	ses to 911 co	mmunications.		
Percent of 911 calls which move from queue to dispatch in 60 seconds or less	Up is Better	68.5%	61.9%	75%	75%
Total number of sustained 911 complaints	Down is Better	71	27	0	0
Percent of 911 calls in which call to queue is 90 seconds or less	Up is Better	72.7%	75.3%	75%	75%
Percentage of QA/QI 911 call reviews that receive a rating of 80% or better	Up is Better	90.5%	87.3%	75%	75%
Percent of 911 calls answered within 15 seconds	Up is Better	89%	74.4%	New in 2024	90%
Provide efficient, professional and cost e	ffective respon	ses to intera	ctions initiated	d through 311 pl	atforms.
Percent of 311 calls handled by a live agent in 4 minutes or less	Up is Better	61.1%	61%	80%	80%
Percent of 311 calls answered by a live agent within 90 seconds	Up is Better	83.2%	89.2%	75%	75%
Percent of 311 QA/QI telephone call reviews that receive a rating of 4 or better	Up is Better	New in 2024	New in 2024	New in 2024	75%
Provide state-of-the-art emergency and		communicat			
Percent of time the OUC responds to Mobile Data Terminal repairs within 24 hours	Up is Better	100%	99%	99%	99%
Percent of time the OUC responds to radio equipment repair requests within 24 hours	Up is Better	100%	99%	99%	99%
Percent of tablet connectivity uptime	Up is Better	99.5%	95.3%	90%	90%
Create and maintain a highly efficient, tra	ansparent, and	responsive D	istrict governr	ment.	
Percent of records requests fulfilled within mandated time frames	Up is Better	100%	100%	85%	85%
Total number of residents reached through community engagement and 911 education activities	Up is Better	25,000	31,500	7500	10,000
Percent of new hires that are District residents	Up is Better	New in 2023	74.2%	No Target Set	No Targe Set
Percent of employees that are District residents	Up is Better	New in 2023	50.7%	No Target Set	No Targe Set
Percent of required contractor evaluations submitted to the Office of Contracting and Procurement on time.	Up is Better	New in 2023	0%	No Target Set	No Targe Set

Key Performance Indicators (continued)

Measure	Directionality	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024 Target	FY 2025 Target
Percent of new hires that are current District residents and received a high school diploma from a DCPS or a District Public Charter School, or received an equivalent credential from the District of Columbia	Up is Better	New in 2023	40.6%	No Target Set	No Target Set
Percent of agency staff who were employed as Management Supervisory Service (MSS) employees prior to 4/1 of the fiscal year that had completed an Advancing Racial Equity (AE204) training facilitated by ORE within the past two years.	Up is Better	New in 2023	Not Available	No Target Set	No Target Set

Workload Measures

Measure	FY 2022	FY 2023		
A				
Answers all incoming 911 calls				
Total Number of Inbound 911 Calls	1,305,783	1,795,100		
Total number of events created in CAD	801,495	1,006,216		
Total number of non-emergency police	10,748	10,649		
reports completed by OUC's Telephone				
Reporting Unit (TRU)				
Total number of 911 calls for service eligible	Not Available	257		
for diversion to DBH's Access Help Line				
Total number of 911 calls for service diverted	Not Available	205		
to DBH's Access Help Line				
Total number of 911 calls for service diverted	New in 2024	New in 2024		
to the Nurse Triage Line				
Total number of calls diverted away from the	New in 2024	New in 2024		
911 system				
Total number of 911 calls for service diverted	New in 2024	New in 2024		
to DBH's Access Help Line				
Total number of 911 calls for service diverted	New in 2024	New in 2024		
to DDOT for motor vehicle collisions with no				
injuries				
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Answers all incoming 311 calls				
Total Number of Inbound 311 Calls	1,603,236	1,440,848		
Total number of service requests entered into	409,249	440,398		
the customer relationship management system				
by 311 agents				
Serves as custodian of all 911 and 311 communications records				
Number of agency held records released to	7,653	11,699		
stakeholders upon request	7,-50	.,,,,,,		