

## Horst, Rachel

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**From:** CEER@brevardfl.gov  
**Sent:** Saturday, January 10, 2026 10:04 AM  
**To:** Horst, Rachel  
**Subject:** A new CEER Recommendation has been submitted as ID #2026020

### Recommendation # 2026020

Dear CEER Administrator,

Speak Up Brevard Recommendation ID #2026020 has been submitted. Please login to the CEER Application to start the recommendation evaluation workflow.

#### Contact Information:

##### Group/Organization

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#### Recommendation Information:

<b>Recommendation ID</b>	2026020
<b>Recommendation Title</b>	Provide a delayed unencrypted stream of the BCSO radio comms
<b>Areas Affected</b>	COUNTY WIDE
<b>Department Affected</b>	SHERIFF'S OFFICE
<b>Current problem</b>	In order to know what the heros in uniform working for the BCSO are doing we must have delayed access to their communications. Recently they have encrypted them for safety as criminals use police scanners to locate pur sheriffs/ I suggest a 1 hour delay where we Citizens can monitor the criminal activity in our county and the criminals are prevented from having real time data comms on the location of our officers. Wayne Ivey has many times claimed there is a partnership between LOE's and Citizens that is vital to his success this is true and as we know Wayne Ivey is hugely supported
<b>Recommendation</b>	If longer than one hour is required that is fine. The benefits are an informed populous that supports our fine law enforcement because we know what they do and how they do it.
<b>Attachments</b>	No Documents were attached.

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**TO:** Jim Liesenfelt, County Manager

**THRU:** Matt Wallace, Public Safety Director

**FROM:** John Scott, Emergency Management Director

**SUBJ:** Citizen Efficiency and Effectiveness Recommendation #2026020

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CEER #2026020, titled Provide a delayed unencrypted stream of the BCSO radio comms, was received by the County from Scott Moore.

**Citizen Statement:**

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**Citizen Recommendation:**

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**Staff Analysis:**

While Emergency Management's 800MHz Division provides and manages the backbone equipment for the Brevard Public Safety Radio system, it is each Law Enforcement and Fire Agency that makes the decision to encrypt or not.

**What is encryption:**

The conversion of radio transmissions into secure signals using digital keys to ensure only authorized radios can receive protected information.



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**Why implement encryption:**

Advances in technology have made it easier for criminals and potential terrorist to gain immediate access to sensitive public safety communications, putting the first responder community at greater risk

Examples of sensitive/protected information include:

- Tactical information that could jeopardize law enforcement operations
- Details of ongoing investigations and surveillance
- Protected health information and Personally Identifiable Information (PII); crucial for reducing response times when transporting patients to medical centers
- Disaster incident response information

**Federal requirement for encryption:**

The FBI CJIS (Criminal Justice Information Services) Security Policy mandates strict encryption standards for Land Mobile Radio (LMR) systems that transmit Criminal Justice Information (CJI)

- **Risk of non-compliance:** Agencies can lose access to CJIS systems if standards are not met
- **Mandatory Encryption:** Dissemination of CJI over LMR systems must be encrypted to protect sensitive data from interception. This requirement is outlined in Section 5.10.1.2.1 - Encryption for CJI in Transit, and Section 5.13.1 - Wireless Communications Technologies of the CJIS Security Policy
- **Advanced Encryption Standards (AES):** Required for public safety agencies using CJIS data for activities such as conducting records checks, verifying criminal histories, and tracking criminal activity

**Which channels are encrypted:**

- Only law enforcement, fire, and EMS channels
- Non-sensitive channels such as Public Works and Space Coast Area Transit remain unencrypted

**What about partial encryption?**

Emergency response is simply too dynamic of an environment for certain law enforcement, fire, or EMS channels to be encrypted, while others are not

- **Fast-moving operations:** Law enforcement, fire, and EMS often need to share information instantly, making it hard to predict which calls will require protection
- **Time-critical switching:** Expecting first responders to toggle between encrypted and unencrypted channels is neither effective nor efficient
- **Interoperability limits:** When an unencrypted channel patches with an encrypted one, the secure data becomes exposed, defeating the value of encryption



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**Regional Perspective:**

- Encryption of law enforcement, fire, and EMS channels enables secure, seamless interoperability across agencies, improving emergency response
- Majority of Brevard's neighboring counties have already implemented encryption for their Public Safety Radio systems

**Alternative methods for residents to stay informed:**

- **PulsePoint** – Free public safety app providing real-time visibility into active incidents (fires, medical calls, traffic crashes), residents can download and follow local agencies
- **AlertBrevard** – Location-based notifications for severe weather, missing persons, boil water notices, etc., residents can sign up at <https://www.brevardfl.gov/EmergencyManagement/AlertSignup>
- **Brevard EOC Texts** – Text service for countywide notifications on evacuations, sheltering, prescribed burns, launches, etc., residents can sign up by texting "BrevardEOC" to 888777
- **Social media** (Facebook, X, Nextdoor) – Agencies share real-time updates, preparedness information, community notices, residents can join the platform and follow official accounts

**Staff Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners reject CEER #2026020 because Brevard County has limited authority and the recommendation does not enhance the effectiveness or efficiency of County government as required by Home Rule Charter.