

2004 VIPER Grant Awards in North Carolina

Agency	Amount	Summary of Project
Wake County	\$2,541,540	Will expand the interoperable communications system already established in Wake County.
Cabarrus County	\$500,000	Will enhance communications interoperability in the county and the region.
Granville County	\$1,465,000	Will provide funding for the VIPER interoperable communications tower and equipment in Granville County.
Chowan County	\$978,000	Will provide funding for the VIPER interoperable communications tower and equipment in Chowan County.
City of Asheville	\$1,500,000	Will enhance interoperability and reliable communications in the Asheville Metropolitan Area.
Lincoln County	\$842,000	Will place a communications tower on the western shore of Lake Norman that will allow five counties to communicate with each other.
Cleveland County	\$1,791,920	Will allow construction of transmission towers and installation of VIPER compatible equipment to implement 800 MHz for the county's first responders.
Duplin County	\$2,026,000	Will plan, coordinate and construct a VIPER compatible 800 MHz system for interagency communications with state and local emergency responders.
Cherokee County	\$1,821,000	Will provide VIPER network communications equipment to serve Western North Carolina counties.
Sampson County	\$1,184,000	Will provide funding for the VIPER interoperable communications tower and equipment in Sampson County.
Harnett County	\$798,050	Will provide communications capability for first responders in the western portion of the county.
Surry County	\$1,446,254	Will enhance ability of local and state emergency responders to communicate with each other in Surry and surrounding counties.
Town of Mooresville	\$592,000	Will provide an 800 MHz radio communications system for the town of Mooresville.
CCPS-SHP	\$2,800,000	Will allow the State Highway Patrol to expand the VIPER network to accommodate 60 additional repeater locations.
CCPS-SHP	\$417,000	Will provide for VIPER equipment for Wilson County.
NC Dept. of Justice	\$100,000	Mobile Command Center upgrade to allow SBI to link to other agencies during emergencies.
NC DOJ	\$43,753	Intelligence Management System upgrade so SBI can more efficiently disseminate intelligence information to other law enforcement agencies.
NC DOJ	\$62,290	Physical security upgrades for DCI computer system building.
NC Environment/ Natural Resources	\$1,459,000	Will enable State Park Rangers to have interoperable voice communications on Harris Lake and Kerr Lake.
CCPS-SHP	\$592,000	Will provide for VIPER equipment for Johnston County.
CCPS-EM	\$989,999	Will be used to administer the grants and the programs.
TOTAL	\$23,949,806	

For more information on interoperability, go to any of the following websites:

SAFECOM <http://www.safecomprogram.gov/>

U.S. Department of Homeland Security Press Release on Defining Interoperability Requirements for First Responders – April 26, 2004

<http://www.dhs.gov/dhspublic/display?theme=63&content=3512>

U.S. Department of Homeland Security Fact Sheet on Interoperability – July 22, 2004

http://www.dhs.gov/dhspublic/interapp/press_release/press_release_0470.xml