

MEMO

TO: Dr. David V. Arreazola, VP of Compliance & Risk Management

CC: Mr. Cesar Vela, VP of Finance and Administration

FROM: Jose Hernandez, Police Chief

DATE: 07/16/2025

RE: Dispatch Communication Console

The E8 Avtec Scout is a mission-critical radio dispatch communication console designed to integrate with both conventional and P25 radio systems. It provides dispatchers with direct control of radio channels, enhancing real-time communication, coordination, and the overall efficiency of our department's operations.

This project involves acquiring two of these consoles along with essential components, which will significantly strengthen our emergency response capabilities and interoperability with external law enforcement partners.

While the system supports telephone and 911 integration through additional interfaces, its current configuration focuses on radio communications. Our department maintains its own dedicated emergency phone line, and local 911 calls originating from either campus can be rerouted by the Laredo Police Department to our dispatch center to ensure appropriate and timely response.

In support of Laredo College's mission to provide a safe and secure learning environment, this system is being adapted to integrate seamlessly with our Records Management System (RMS) and Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD), streamlining operations and enhancing situational awareness.

Additionally, our existing Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) with local agencies are fully supported by the system, enabling real-time coordination with the Laredo Police Department and Webb County Sheriff's Office.

The funding for this project will be provided through a combination of grant funds and general fund allocations, demonstrating our continued investment in campus safety and student success.

Budget account information is as follows:

Funding Source	Funds
Grant No. 5154501 (grant monies)	\$134,857.13
LC Account – equipment (general fund)	\$22,969.06
Total =	\$157,826.73

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact our office at (956) 764-5900 or via email at jose.hernnandez@laredo.edu