The National Interoperability Information eXchange (NIIX) is a free online tool available to public safety for sharing, posting, and reviewing documents. Totally secure, this central warehouse is efficient and easy to use with online and telephone support readily available to answer any questions you may have. Originally developed to assist agencies as they developed their Statewide Communications Interoperability Plan (SCIP) plans for interoperability, NIIX is not limited to statewide planning, but can be used to serve state and local public safety users who need a collaborative tool.

What is the National Interoperability Information eXchange (NIIX)?

NIIX is a national web-based resource designed to:

• Serve as the repository for interoperability plans generated by the states, regions within or between states, UASI Urban Areas, etc.

• Provide additional resource material to Statewide Interoperability Planning Committees.

• Act as an online national library of peer-supplied documents, including various plans, agreements, governance, policy, legislation, SOPs, funding, and other useful documents concerning planning and achieving interoperability.

• Provide state and regional sub-communities the ability to manage draft documents, solicit comments, and manage member notification and feedback.

• Provide a contact list of other NIIX Community members, giving members the opportunity to connect with public safety across the nation.

How can the National Interoperability Information eXchange system help me?

NIIX is a resource for sharing state interoperability plans, agreements, policy, SOPs and other valuable documents. NIIX can securely connect you with other state interoperability planners to facilitate information sharing and cooperation. NIIX can be used to create private communities to assist public safety communications entities and users in sharing relevant documents, calendars, and information.

Who else is using NIIX currently?

• 911 Coordinators

• Communications Unit Leader (COML) Training Program

• Department of Homeland Security

• Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Regional Emergency Communications Coordination (RECC) Working Group

• Motorola User Group

• Radio Coordinators

• Radio Trainers

• SAFECOM Executive Committee

• State Interoperability Executive Committees (SIECs)

Attention Public Safety Professionals in the U.S., Canada, and Mexico: NIIX Goes International

If you are working with counterparts in Canada or Mexico on the coordination of cross-border issues or preparing for special events like the 2010 Olympics to be held in Vancouver, Canada, NIIX now has the ability to accept registrations from both Canadian and Mexican government officials. With your Community Coordinator's approval, your counterparts across the borders can now join NIIX communities to collaborate with their U.S. counterparts.

A country code has been added which, depending on the country selected, causes the state/province drop-down box to change accordingly. It also checks for the correct Canadian/Mexican postal code format. For authentication purposes, Canadian or Mexican applicants should provide the NIIX Administrator with the name of their U.S. counterpart with whom they are working on cross-border initiatives.

Visit NIIX at www.NIIX.org or contact info@npstc.org to learn about how to become a Community Coordinator or use NIIX.

Many Advantages of Using NIIX: Features and Benefits

Secure
- ✓ Only available to public safety users and their appointees

Online file storage with commenting feature
- ✓ Collaborative document review
- ✓ Allows users to post documents
- ✓ Centralized source for projects
- ✓ No file size limit!

Support that is readily available
- ✓ Via telephone (toll free), email, or mail

No Spam
- ✓ Coordinators control

Free to users—funded by DHS
- ✓ Efficient and easy to use
- ✓ Fast community switching
- ✓ Easy notification of new documents
- ✓ Categorized calendar
- ✓ Coordinator controlled
- ✓ Easily browse other communities and ask coordinator for entry
- ✓ Direct connection with other public safety people throughout the nation

NIIX
National Interoperability
Information eXchange

Member Organizations

American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials

American Radio Relay League

Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies

Association of Public Safety Communications Officials

Forestry Conservation Communications Association–International

International Association of Chiefs of Police

International Association of Emergency Managers

International Association of Fire Chiefs

International Municipal Signal Association

National Association of State Chief Information Officers

National Association of State Emergency Medical Services Officials

National Association of State Foresters

National Association of State Technology Directors

National Emergency Number Association

National Sheriffs' Association

Canadian Interoperability Technology Interest Group (Associate Member)

Telecommunications Industry Association (Associate Member)
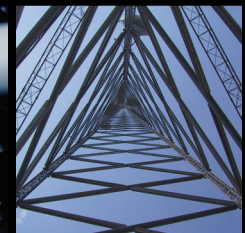
Liaison Organizations

Department of Justice
- National Institute of Justice

Federal Communications Commission

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- Office of Interoperability & Compatibility
- Office of Emergency Communications
    Federal Partnership for Interoperable Communications
- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- SAFECOM

U.S. Department of Interior

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