



Mobilizing Your SWAT Operations

It is becoming increasingly more essential for agencies to have access to their information systems where ever the critical incident occurs. Below are a few cases where Mission Critical SWAT can easily be utilized in field operations.



From the Michigan State Police Web Site...

This vehicle (*Mobile Command Vehicle*) is fully equipped with communications and computer technology to make the unit a self-sufficient emergency command post. The MCV has the ability to access the external MSP computer network and can also link between on-board PC's through an internal network. With this vehicle, the Michigan State Police is more prepared than ever to respond to emergency situations to strengthen public safety in the state.

The features of the MCV are many including a conference room and computer work stations. A vast communications array of radios, cell and landline telephones allow for virtually unlimited communication potential with other law enforcement and public safety agencies. A cable and satellite TV with VCR allow for the monitoring of local and national media coverage of an incident by command post personnel.

Uses of the MCV include an unlimited number of situations where a complex operational response to an emergency or crisis situation is necessary. Some of the uses of the MCV include barricaded suspects, processing major crime scenes, natural disasters, major transportation accidents such as plane crashes or train derailments, civil disorder, lost persons and special events management. The MCV will be particularly effective in isolated areas where there may be limited or no accessibility to technical resources necessary for effective on-scene management of an incident or event.

The MCV provides a valuable support system for law enforcement that can be made available for joint operations with county, local and federal law enforcement agencies. As the process of providing law enforcement and public safety services becomes more challenging, police agencies are being required to embrace new technology and use it to their advantage. This is a complex vehicle that will help us address the complex situations that we face today in law enforcement and the challenges that await us in the future.



Source: http://www.michigan.gov/msp/0,1607,7-123-1593_25680_25799-79675--,00.html

Here is an excerpt from an article by Kevin Corvo:

Mobile command unit will prepare Whitehall officers for worst...

"Since the Whitehall SWAT team was founded in 1988, the team has responded to about 280 calls that required a mobile command unit to be established."

"The new mobile command unit will have electricity, cabinets, a global positioning system, LCD monitors, cameras and support for computers, laser printers, satellites and numerous other amenities."

The MCV will "provide a single point for police, and sometimes fire department commanders, to receive information and issue directives."

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