



APPLICATION FORM

All applications must include the following information. Separate applications must be submitted for each eligible program. **Deadline: June 1, 2018.** Please include this application form with electronic entry. If you do not receive an email confirming receipt of your entry within 3 days of submission, please contact [Gage Harter](#).

PROGRAM INFORMATION

County: Pittsylvania County

Program Title: VCOP

Program Category: Public Safety, Information Technology

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: Daniel Kendrick

Title: Director of IT Systems & Communication for Public Safety

Department: Public Safety

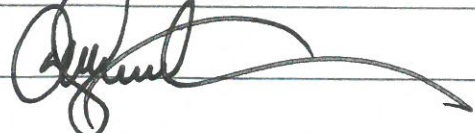
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SIGNATURE OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR OR DEPUTY/ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Name: David M. Smitherman

Title: County Administrator

Signature: 

May 30, 2018

Gage Harter, VACo Director of Communications

1207 East Main Street, Suite 300, Richmond, VA, 23219-3627,

REF: VACo Achievement Awards Application

Dear Gage:

Pittsylvania County is pleased to apply for this year's award. Our application title is **VCOP. Virtual Common Operating Picture.**

Executive Summary:

Our department has developed and implemented a new virtual emergency operations software that will allow all county departments to seamlessly communicate at the Emergency Operations Center or away in a real time manner. This system is totally web-based and maintained by County staff. It took 18 months to develop and since deployment, has been used over 8 times during county disaster and/or emergency events that required coordination and communication of the EOC's departments. Similar systems are available in the open market costing localities in the area of 50-80 thousand dollars to purchase and additional yearly maintenance fees. Being faced with those types of costs, our department felt we could challenge ourselves to build a system cheaper.

Pittsylvania County utilized federal grant funding from the Local Emergency Management Performance Grant. This is a 50/50 costs share grant. Total funding utilized was \$16,770.00 and our yearly maintenance costs is \$4,550.00. Again, grant funding is used to assist in the maintenance costs. This system utilizes Google, forms, Google Docs, & Web based applications. Systems is quick and easy to set up and can be used wherever internet is available. Both Web based and Mobile friendly apps have been created.

Please visit www.pittcoem.org then select VCOP Training.

Next select "AGREE"

Sign in:

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(Password) training

Any questions,

Contact Daniel Kendrick, developer

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