County emergency phone system gaining support

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Nonetheless, it was the kind of inci-dent safety officials believe can be avoided through Oakhand County's pro-posed Enhanced 911 Emergency Dial-ing System – E-911.

And despite initial qualms, E-911 seems to be gaining support as com-munites head toward a county-imposed Friday, Dec. 13, sign-up deadline for the Michigan Bell offering.

THUS FAR, 25 communities—including Birningham. Bloomfield Township, Beverly Bills. Farmington, Bloomfield Township, Beverly Bills. Farmington, Bloomfield Township, Beverly Bills. Farmington, Remained Bills. Orchard Lake, Bochester, Rochester Hills and Troy—al, according to county emergency services director Paul Phelps.

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"To date, no one has said no," Phelps said. If approved, the system would be gin operating by late 1987.
Costs would evenly be divided between the county and participating communities. County commissioners unanimously endorsed the program included by the program including strokes and heart attacks," Farmington City Manager Robort Deadman said. "The enhanced system will allow us respond to people who can't communicate with us verbally."

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propriate fire, police or emergency services department, while flashing the caller's telephone number on the dispatcher's terminal.

"If you're cailing from a pay phene on Telegraph Road, you might not know where you are." Bloomfeld Township Few Charlet John and John Stranger of the Caller's telephone number handy serves two other purposes, not the least of which is its potential chilling effect on prank callers, county officials said. "Knowing their number can be traced should cause them to think twice," Phelps said.

While caller's could talk to dispatchers, the number's display is also expected to provide a safeguard in extraordinary situations.

"I think our board had some concerns, but the feeling all along was that the E-911 system would be beneficial to everybody," said west Bloomfield Township Supervisor John Doherty, whose community was expected to make a decision shortly after Thanksging.

Southfield public safety officials are interested in E-911 even though their community has the country and system, shared with Oak Park.

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That, boosters say, will make a difference in Southfield — where a portion of the city ian't served by 911 because it has a different exchange.

It's also expected to make a difference in Oakland Township and Rochester Hills, two communities bedeviled by misplaced calls.

Oakland Township's scattered residents receive service from one of three separate life departments, depending upon whether they live nearer to Rochester Hills, Lake Orion or Bruce Township.

"IT (E-911) would work better than anything we've ever had," Clerk Caro-

lyn Phelps said.

Sprawling Rochester Hills, incorporated last year as a bome rule city, suffers from a slight identity crists. Many of its residents believe they live in the older city of Rochester.

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It currently operating in 50 areas, including California's populous Orange County, Standard 911 service is available in 1,100 areas.

Currently, only Kalamazoo County features E-Pil service in Michigan, although Bay and Berrien counties are also considering the service.

Despite the generally supportive sir surrounding the Oakland County proposal. E-Pil won't preclude some tough local decisions.

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vice if other nearby communites opt out of the program.

"If that's the case, we'll go back to those communities and ask them if they still want to participate," Phelps said. "The bottom line is that commun-ities that don't pay won't receive the service."

BECAUSE E-911 will utilize one designated "public safety answering point "per community some communities may decide whether to dispatch police and fire calls from a single location.
"Birmingham, for example, might make some decision on its dispatching," Phelps said. "Rochester Hills

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(which has its own fire department but receives police service from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department) might make its fire dispatch the central answering point and make the sheriff's department a secondary answering point."
Smaller communities could drop dispatching altogether.
"That, of course, would depend on whether a larger community was willing to provide the service," Phelps said. "What we're saying is that each community ould handle dispatching as it is now — only with E-911."

developed.

Though the future system could be added to E-911, it would doubte to quadruple community's costs, depending upon estimates.

"That decon't mean communities would go for updating the system, but the potential is there," Phelps said, "Once it's in we could always enhance it. We wouldn't have to tear anything down."



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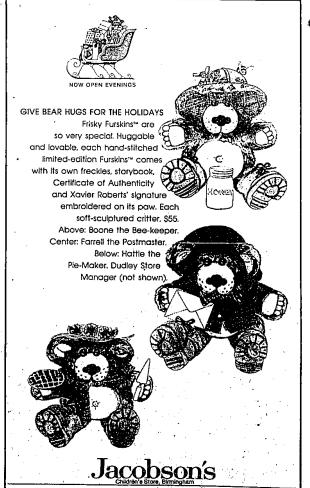
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