



# Board of Commissioners Meeting Agenda Item Submittal

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Item To Be Considered: **Center for Public Safety Excellence – Program Selection**

Board Meeting Date: **March 26, 2024**

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**Overview:** The Town of Swansboro Fire Department was 1 of 10 agencies selected to participate in the Center for Public Safety Excellence’s Beta Testing for the Community Risk Assessment (CRA) / Standards of Cover (SOC) Certificate Program. The CRA/SOC is a significant component of completing the Agency Accreditation process.

The Town of Swansboro Fire Department was notified on March 12, 2024, that the Center of Public Safety Excellence (CPSE) had selected us as one of 10 Agencies in the Beta Testing for a newly developed certificate program. The Community Risk Assessment (CRA) and Standard of Cover (SOC) are key components when an agency seeks Accreditation. Agency accreditation is an international recognition of achievement. It shows our community that our agency continually self-assesses, looks for opportunities for improvement, and is transparent and accountable by applying a true third-party verification and validation process. Last year, the first two departments completed the Alpha testing of this certificate program, meaning the Town of Swansboro will be in the initial 12 agencies to receive this honor when we complete the program.

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