

City of Franklin, Tennessee FY 2019 Operating Budget Request

Communications Division

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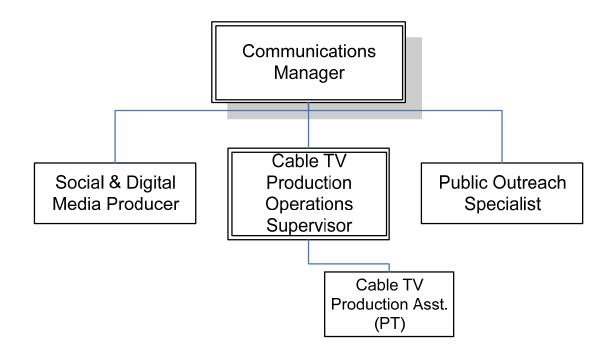


Purpose of Department

The Communications Division was created in December 2008 to develop internal and external communications and citizen participation initiatives. The Division also handles all media relations for the City and manages the City's Government Access Channel, Franklin TV and all social media.



Organization Chart





Base Budget Request: Personnel

Communication Division \$398,609

Increase of \$2,684 or 0.7% over FY 2018.



Base Budget Request: Operations

Communication Division (\$12,620)*

*negative is due to interfund reimbursement

Our division has a way of doing more with less. We've been able to keep equipment costs down while providing more programming, and communications services.



Program Enhancement Requests

1. Public Relations & Education (\$5,600)-This request would add additional dollars for public education and public relations, including social media promotion, and city sponsored events for example the annual tree lighting event attended by 8-10,000 people in 2017.



Summary:

The Communications Division accomplished many items last year. We transferred to HD and are now streaming our channel 24/7 on the Website. We air our meetings live on the Web and Social Media (Facebook & YouTube).

We went live with many special events including the Franklin Tree Lighting event which was seen by close to 40,000 people and in 7 states on Facebook. Close to 10,000 people attended the event.

Facebook followers 34,073 likes Twitter followers 26.2 followers Instagram increased 5,494 followers YouTube 524,078 views