Google Translate is a free multilingual machine translation service developed by Google to translate text. It can translate multiple forms of text and media.

Use this tool to translate Text-to-911 communications unfamiliar to you.

You will be utilizing the text translation portion of Google Translate, though it can also translate speech, images and video in its feature set.

Overview of Google Translate

1. “Text” select tab, this needs to be on “Text” to translate typed information.
2. Language selections box (left side), is used for the language you are translating from. When setting this one you may want to pick “Detect Language” this will allow the system to determine what language you are translating.
3. Language selection box (right side) is for the language translated to.
4. Is the area you type the text to be translated from.
5. Is the area translated to or the area you read the translated information.
Google Translate One Touch Button

The Google Translate one touch button is located in the left nav bar in the Solacom Guardian. It is the last button on the list termed “Translate”.

This will open Internet Explorer in a second screen over the GeoLynx Map system. You will need to toggle between the screens as needed to utilize both programs.

Text-to-911 answered

Now that you have received a message from the incoming Text caller and the Text Conversation window is open with a message you are able to proceed with the communication.

When the message is in a language you do not recognize, use Google Translate to determine what the text caller is telling you.

You are able to copy and paste right from the Guardian Text Conversation window. Right click on the text balloon and click “Copy”. Move over to Google Translate.
Preparing Google Translate

Setup prior to entering text information.

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2. Language selections box, used for the language to be translated from. (When setting this pick “Detect Language” and let the system determine what language you type in.)
3. Language selection box for the language translated to.
   Note: You can click the drop down arrow in the Language box and manually select the appropriate language.

Translating text conversations

1. Right click on the message balloon in the Solacom Guardian Text Conversation window, click “Copy”.
2. In Google Translate set the function to “Text”.
3. Paste the copied conversation into the Google Translates left side of the screen. (right clicking & paste or control “V”)
4. Translated text shows in the right side of the screen.

Follow this process throughout the conversation with the text caller until complete.
To review the conversations, go to the Conversation tool in the left nav bar. Search for SMS conversations. When viewing the conversation, it will be in the same language it was received and sent in the Text Conversation.

Note: Google Translate is a free service supplied by Google. It has over 100 languages in the service. Google Translate is continually perfecting the tool though some words may not be in the translation index and sometimes words and phrases can get lost in translation.

Please contact the Emergency 9-1-1 Center 1 (866) 984-3911 with any system issues.