

Chief FOIA Officer Council  
Technology Committee -  
Update for FOIA Advisory Committee

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# About Us

Created by the FOIA Advisory Committee

Membership:

- We have over 40 members from at least 25 departments/agencies

2020 Accomplishments:

- Report of the Technology Committee of the Chief FOIA Officers (CFO) Council – Best Practices and Recommendations
- OIP Best Practices Workshop: FOIA and Technology
- Technology Committee added about 25 new members
- Established Eight FOIA Technology Working Groups
- Developing Working Group Charters

# The eight Technology Committee Working Groups:

FOIA Searches	FOIAXpress	FOIA Online	Artificial Intelligence	508 Compliance	FOIA and Classified Information	Collaborative Tools	Video Redactions
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Each working group is developing a charter with the scope of its responsibilities and target milestones for its work.

# Video Redaction Working Group: Five Early Findings

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Video record retention schedules can vary.



Tools vary in complexity- Match the tool to the job.



Litigation can drive video redaction schedules and agency resource allocation.



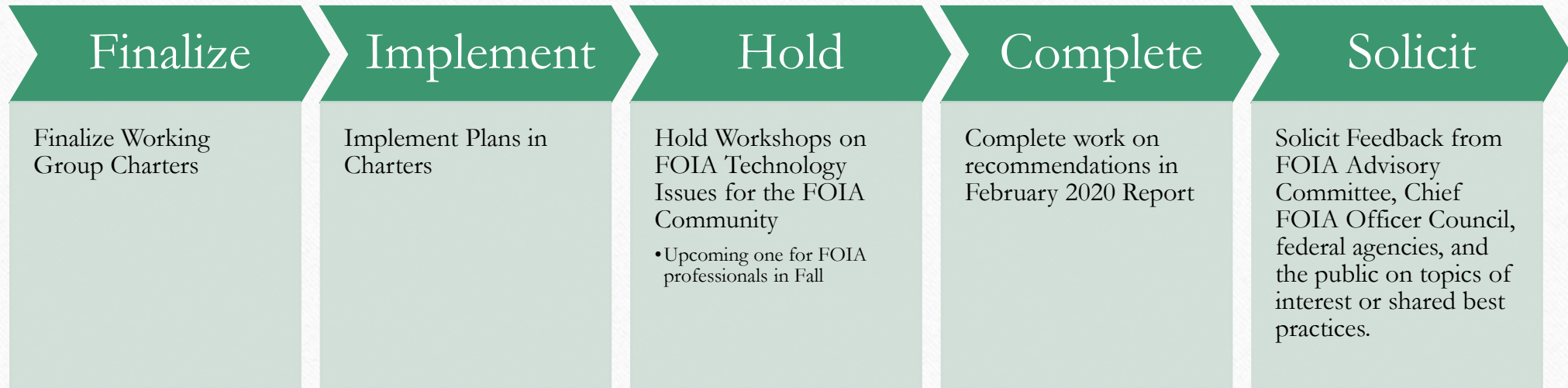
Earmarking funds for FOIA contractors with specialized skills can be efficient.



As you build your FOIA programs out- consider adding video redaction skills to PD's and performance plans.

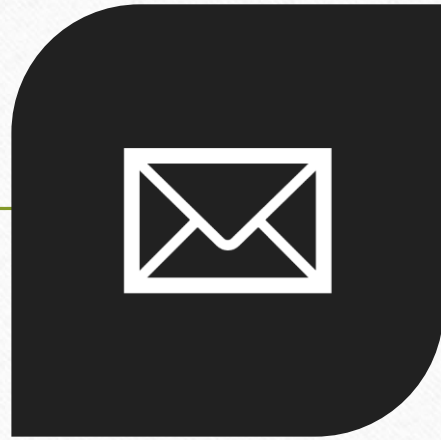
# Working Groups Next Steps

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# Questions and Contact Information



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