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Cranberry Township EMS Unveils New $1.6 Million Dollar Facility
New building to help meet demands of growing population

Cranberry Twp., PA –December 11, 2013 – Township leaders, EMS officials and invited guests will gather this evening for the grand opening and tour of the new Cranberry Township EMS facility alongside the community’s fire station on Route 19.

The new $1.6 million dollar facility features space for six vehicles and has two floors, allowing for ample office, meeting and sleeping quarters.

“This new 7,200 square foot facility will allow the EMS to quickly and efficiently meet the emergency medical needs of this growing community,” said Bruce Mazzoni, Chairman of the Cranberry Township Board of Supervisors.

According to a service agreement signed earlier in the year with the township, the EMS must respond to 90% of calls within 90 seconds. In 2012, the EMS answered just over 3,400 calls, a number that continues to grow as the population of Cranberry Township expands.

“We are so proud to now be calling this new facility home,” said Jeff Kelly, Executive Director of the EMS. “Our central location plus state-of-the art amenities will allow us to more efficiently serve every corner of the township and forge stronger ties between members of the EMS and the greater community.”

Financed by the township, the EMS will pay $3,500 rent on a monthly basis. With 15 full-time employees, 20 part-time and six volunteers, the EMS has an annual budget of $1.4 million dollars.

The EMS has also recently launched two programs that are available to the public.

Safe Landing Program
The Safe Landing Programs offers parents of infants CPR and first-aid training as well as home safety inspections and car seat installations.

Elderly Wellness Checks
The department’s Elderly Wellness Check Program includes home visits to make medical evaluations and ensure medication is being taken properly.

“We are very proud of this new facility and hope that it will serve as a model for other townships within the greater Pittsburgh area,” said Jeff Schueler, Public Safety Director. “With various township departments working together, we have developed a building that will play a central role in the community for decades to come.”

To learn more about the Cranberry Township EMS and the various programs that are available to the community, visit their website at: http://www.cranberrytownshipems.org/.

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