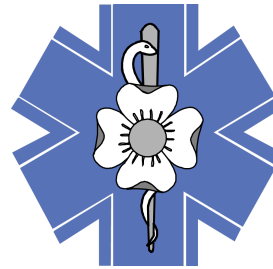


Cary Area EMS Annual Report

2022 - 2023



Message from Justine Hollingshead, Chairperson of the Board

On April 1, 2021 at 7 a.m., the organization ended 911 services to the citizens of Wake County after nearly 50 years of service following cancellation of the contract by Wake County. A decision was made by the membership to continue as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization focusing on emergency preparedness and response.



There are gaps as it relates to preparedness nationally in communities from Cary, North Carolina to Bellingham, Washington. Just over half of the people in recent national public preparedness polls say they do not have a plan in the event of a disaster. The board has goals to help address these gaps through awareness, education and training.

In May of 2022, we were finally able to celebrate our 50th anniversary after postponement because of COVID. Almost 200 people attended our celebration that was held at 560. A giant tent in the back parking lot, a fantastic catered dinner, speeches from members throughout the years, family, smiles, and lots of laughter all adorned the magical evening.



Check out the following photo gallery links: [50 years of history](#) by Dr. Bradley Wilson and [Anniversary Celebration](#) photos by Mr. Mike Legeros.

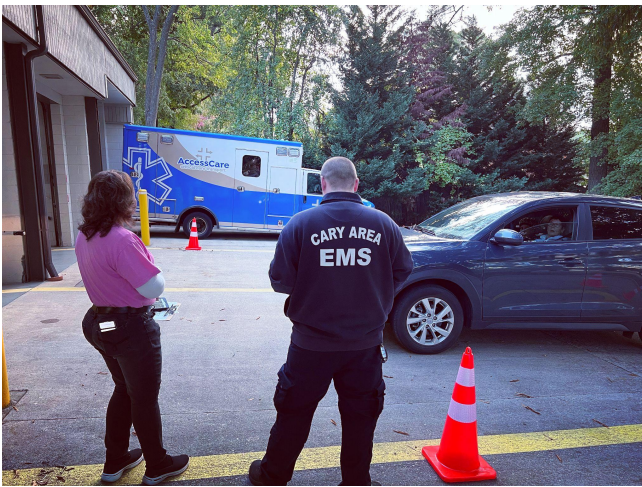
A new organization name was announced at the 50th anniversary celebration after a renaming focus group was charged. The new name will be Community Emergency Medical Training and Preparedness - "A Cary EMS Endeavor". Later in 2023, we will unveil a new logo, website, and marketing materials.

This has been a journey and we look forward to the future.

Mission and Vision

Cary Area EMS fosters emergency preparedness and response through education, training, service, and outreach. We are committed to giving back to the community and serving those in need through:

- Education
- Training
- Outreach
- Service



Partnerships and Collaborations

Part of what we have honed over time are relationships and partnerships with other organizations in the local community. One such organization is [AccessCare](#).

Drew Baird is the founder of AccessCare, CareJet, and EventCare under the Vector Aeromedical umbrella. Drew has been supportive of finding ways to collaborate. One such opportunity is Cary Area EMS still offering our annual free Flu Clinic.

This is now under the medical oversight of Dr. Brian Quigley who serves as the medical director for Vector Aeromedical.

Other local partners have been Orange County EMS and NC State University. We have provided use of our all terrain vehicle and trailer during events in Chapel Hill and on campus at NC State.

Three blood drives occurred at the building in partnership with the American Red Cross. In 2022, twenty three people attended the drive in February and twenty five in November. In 2023, ten people attended the drive in June.

We have learned that there is a demand for affordable training space that can be utilized by community organizations. With that in mind, we have made our classrooms available for rent. In 2022, the American Massage Therapy Association taught 3 two-day classes at our building.

Education and Outreach

Education

Two CPR classes were offered as a part of our education soft launch. 36 people were certified, 11 of them youth.



A first aid, tourniquet application, and hands on CPR overview was facilitated in partnership with NC State University for the Naval ROTC program. 80 individuals were in attendance.

We have formalized a partnership with the American Red Cross to teach CPR, AED, first aid, and Stop the Bleed classes. This will be in addition to American Heart Association classes. Our focus is giving back to the community including those who work in EMS.

Outreach

Drive Thru Flu Clinic - This approach was started during COVID and has been very popular. Over the course of the past three years, we have vaccinated over 450 people in the local community.

We participated in 3 community events including elementary school show and tells. Over 200 kids participated.



Other Accomplishments

- Installation of a new roof
- Repaving of the building parking lot
- Implementation of a new phone system
- Engagement of a marketing and PR firm to assist with logo and website design

2022 Financials

Assets

Cash - \$305,000

Investments - \$1,314,000

Fixed - \$290,000

TOTAL ASSETS - \$1,909,000

Expenses

50th anniversary celebration - \$50,000

Flu Clinic - \$5,600

Operational - \$53,400

Capital projects (roof and parking lot) - \$57,000

TOTAL EXPENSES - \$166,000

Cary Area EMS is in good financial health. We are working with our investment firm to do some long term planning, including an endowment down the road.



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