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Town of Ludlow Community Ambulance Service Membership Program

Ludlow, Cavendish, Proctorsville and Plymouth (South of Route 100A), **Vermont:** Ambulance service is something most people don't think about, until after an emergency occurs. During an emergency, no one has time to think about whether our services are covered regardless of whether you have insurance or not. In order to help, we are offering an affordable annual membership program which we encourage you to review and consider. As a member, you will enjoy piece of mind, and at the same time you will be helping to support the Service's mission to the communities we serve. Residence will be receiving applications in the mail in the next few weeks. More information is available on the Town of Ludlow web page: www.ludlow.vt.us

This program is being used as an alternative to help keep the cost of ambulance service as low as possible to the communities which are served. We had added several more paid staff over the past few years. This has been done to help cover the increasing call volume. The service has traditionally relied heavily on volunteers to staff the ambulances 24 hours per day, 7 day per week. Since 2005, the service has seen a decline in the volunteer membership's availability. In response to this national trend, the service has increased the number of full time and part time staff to meet the needs of the communities we serve. Currently the service staffs one paramedic 24 hours per day and staffs an EMT Monday through Friday 6 am to 6 pm. On nights and weekends, the services has a dedicated group of volunteers to the ambulance with the on duty paramedic. Even with the addition of paid staff, the service is always looking for new volunteers. Training will be provided so no experience is necessary.

Town of Ludlow Community Ambulance Service is a municipal ambulance service run by the Town of Ludlow. It services the towns of Ludlow, Proctorsville, Cavendish, and Plymouth. It operates 24 hours per day, 7 days a week covering over 800 calls per year.

Thank you for your support.

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