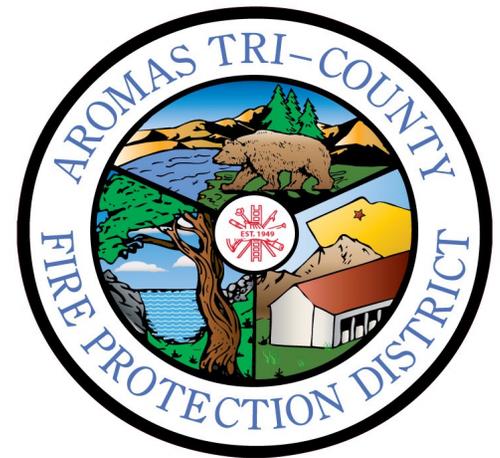




Paramedics In Aromas?



Non-Transport
Fire Engine Based
Advanced Life Support
Paramedic

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The Aromas Tri-County Fire Protection District (ATCFPD) continuously analyzes its service delivery to its constituents. A recommendation has been made to increase the service delivery to the community by adding a Paramedic to the engine company .

There are a number of reasons why this recommendation has been made. First, Paramedics are highly trained and skilled Emergency Medical Services providers. Paramedics are licensed technicians who provide Advanced Life Support services (ALS) required on most emergency medical incidents including traffic collisions. Roughly two thirds of the annual calls for service in the District are EMS related. Aromas is a diverse community in many ways. Everybody can benefit from a Paramedic Service.

Second, currently a Paramedic responds into Aromas on an ambulance . The closest ambulance stations are Watsonville, San Juan Bautista and Prunedale. Ambulance response times are often greater than the response of your fire engine. Adding a Paramedic to the fire engine will decrease the response time from time of call to Paramedic ALS intervention. Faster Paramedic ALS intervention has proven to be the best chance for lives to be saved. It will also double the number of Paramedics at the scene to 2 Paramedics. Additionally, when the Ambulance Paramedic transports the patient to the hospital your Paramedic stays in Aromas ready to respond to the next emergency. Your dollars stay in your community for your benefit.

What might this cost? It has been determined that a special parcel tax to finance paramedic services within the District, applicable to all developed parcels will be required. The maximum parcel tax would be \$230 annually. This special parcel tax to finance paramedic services in the District will require two-thirds voter approval on November 8, 2016.

This information is being provided to the constituents of the District by the Fire District Board of Directors. Please consider adding a Paramedic to the engine company stationed at the Aromas Firehouse. This is a service improvement to the residents of the Fire District , the community as a whole and the county's EMS systems at a reasonable price.



PARAMEDIC

SERVICE IMPROVEMENT

- Advanced Life Support trained.
- Adds Paramedic to each emergency.
- Decrease response time of Paramedic to the scene.
 - Quicker start of treatment
 - Best chance to save a life
 - Shorter hospital stays
 - Less time in rehab
 - Early pain management
- Doubles number of Paramedics at scene on EMS/Traffic Collisions. (1 Fire Medic, 1 Ambulance Medic)
- Keeps Paramedic in your community.
- Marginal cost per parcel.
- Adds a Paramedic to Engine Co increasing daily staffing to 3 .
- Keeps your tax dollars in your community.
- Valuable Community Service
 - CPR Instruction
 - Flu clinic medication administration
 - Role model for children

Questions/Comments?

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Additional information can be found at the following social media sites:

Internet:

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www.facebook.com/AromasTriCountyFire

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