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MONMOUTH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ANNOUNCES EMS PARTNERSHIP WITH MEDSTAR IN THE BAYSHORE AREA

Holmdel – Sheriff Shaun Golden is pleased to announce a partnership that will enhance emergency medical services in the Bayshore area. The Monmouth County Sheriff's Office Emergency Medical Services Operation, MedStar, is now providing additional EMS support by serving as a backup and secondary unit to Holmdel EMS, Monday through Friday, 7am to 7pm, ensuring that residents receive timely and efficient emergency care.

"This partnership with MedStar is a tremendous asset to our community," said Holmdel Mayor Brian Foster. "Our dedicated Holmdel EMTs provide outstanding service, and with MedStar's additional support, we can ensure that residents will always receive the highest level of emergency response and care. We are grateful to the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office and the Monmouth County Board of Commissioners for their efforts and look forward to the benefits MedStar will bring to our town."

"By integrating MedStar as a secondary unit to assist Holmdel EMS, we are enhancing the ability to respond swiftly to emergencies and provide prompt and professional medical care when it's needed the most," said Sheriff Shaun Golden. "It will strengthen the emergency response system in Holmdel and reinforce Monmouth County's commitment to the public safety and the well-being of residents."

First responders, both career and volunteer, dedicate their lives to protecting and caring for others. While volunteer units continue to play a crucial role in serving communities, challenges have resulted in staffing shortages that are impacting response time and safety.

"Volunteer EMTs work tirelessly to ensure safety and save lives, however, critical staffing shortages have become a significant challenge and MedStar is here to help," said Monmouth County Commissioner Director Thomas A. Arnone. "MedStar not only provides essential support to our volunteers but also guarantees that residents receive the most timely and effective emergency care."

"The Holmdel Volunteer First Aid Squad is proud to partner with the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office MedStar program, and I personally look forward to seeing our two agencies work together to ensure the residents of Holmdel continue to receive the highest quality of care," said Chief Chris Trischitta, Holmdel EMS.

In February, MedStar marked its one-year anniversary. More than 6000 calls for service have been answered, with the average response time under 5 minutes and 30 seconds, and over 4200 patients were transported to areas hospitals. The coverage area MedStar services is Ocean Township, Tinton Falls, Neptune City, Sea Girt, Manasquan and Holmdel. In addition to covering those towns, MedStar answered more than 1400 mutual aid calls for service in neighboring municipalities.

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