

Our “Lifeline” Budget Could Save Your Life

YOUR VOTE IS CRITICAL ON FEBRUARY 21



In **2025**, we answered **3,519 calls**, a record-breaking **increase of 500+ calls** in just one year. As new development brings more emergencies, traffic, and car accidents to our township, our crews are stretched thinner than ever. This is why we need your help—to vote for the budget and referendum on February 21.

As calls rise, expenses are a major challenge

- ◆ **80% increase** - Mandatory training courses
- ◆ **60% increase** – Health insurance for our personnel
- ◆ **25% increase** – Maintaining our apparatus

Our High-Quality Service is at Stake

If our 2026 budget and referendum **DO NOT PASS**, we may be forced to **cut staff by over 50%**. With fewer responders, we predict...

- ◆ **Slower response times.** EMS response times could jump to 10+ minutes from mutual aid partners.
- ◆ **Operating over capacity.** We need to add two new EMT positions to keep up with our current demand.
- ◆ **Compromised safety.** Answering more calls with fewer staff will cause our quality of service to decline, putting your safety at risk.

2,769 EMS Calls 724 Fire Calls



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Two Ways to Vote:

By mail: Ballots must be postmarked by February 21 to count.

In person: Saturday, February 21, 2 to 9 PM,
Cedar Knolls Fire House, 82 Ridgedale Ave., Cedar Knolls

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