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Essex Ambulance Association Better Equipped Thanks to Essex Foundation Grant *\$8240 Awarded for Purchase of New Onboard Computer Systems*

Essex, CT – In times of medical emergencies, ambulance service providers know that every minute counts and having a patient care system that you can count on is mission critical. Recently Essex Ambulance Association made the decision to replace the 10-year-old computer units used for patient record keeping and care administration onboard the nonprofit group's two ambulances, turning to The Essex Foundation (TEF) for funding assistance. Given the volume of service calls each year and rising operational costs, the Association did not have the required \$8240 in their budget to cover the two essential systems but knew they couldn't wait to make the upgrade.

"With the financial assistance from the Essex Foundation, Essex Ambulance Association can now complete patient charts on scene, and at the hospital, as well as record critical care data while moving. We are extremely grateful to The Essex Foundation for providing this funding and allowing us to focus on the mission of providing care to members of our community."

According to TEF President Strickland Hyde III, "Approving the Ambulance Association's request was an easy and unanimous decision for us. Helping our local emergency medical crews improve health outcomes is a top priority for the Foundation."

The Essex Foundation, Inc. is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to making a difference in the lives of Essex residents. It relies on donations from the community to provide funding support for a broad range of needs not met by other organizations or sources. More information can be found online at www.theessexfoundation.org or by emailing contact@theessexfoundation.org



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Pictured: Essex Ambulance Association Chief of Service, Judi Reynolds (back left), Assistant Chief Steve Olsen (back right) and President DG Fitton (center) demonstrate one of the two new onboard computer units to The Essex Foundation board members Gary Riggio (front left), Strickland Hyde (front right), and Judy Bombaci (center right).