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To the Residents of Lyndon and Lyndonville:

The Crewmembers of Lyndon Rescue wish to thank our member towns for their continued support and the opportunity to serve. It is estimated that in 2012, we will have responded to over 1400 calls for service inclusive of transfers. This is a substantial decrease over 2011 and includes our contractual coverage areas of Brighton, Norton and The UTGs.

2012 was a productive year for Lyndon Rescue. We continued with our community CPR courses, accepted delivery of our remounted ambulance and continued with our strategic AED Placement Program. We also became a distributor for Zoll AEDs and we entered into a management contract with Danville Rescue. This contract is the first of its kind in Vermont. This affiliation has proven to be very beneficial to both entities and is serving the residents of the Danville Rescue Coverage area well.

Again weather topped the news for 2012. While our snowless winter was the talk of the area, our biggest incident by far was Super Storm Sandy. Because of the unpredictability of this storm, Lyndon Rescue was proactive activating it's emergency response plan early placing ambulances strategically around the coverage area as well as at least one fully equipped first responder in every town we cover. Additionally, as part of an EMAC (Emergency Management Assistance Compact) request, Lyndon Rescue sent an ambulance and crew to New Jersey as part of a Vermont deployment. Tom D'Ambra and Nate Donley spent 5 days in New Jersey assisting the overtaxed crews there.

We continue our active role in Vermont Homeland Security with Mark Podgwaite serving on the State Homeland Security Improvement Planning and State Training and Exercise Plan committees. Additionally, Lyndon Rescue will be participating in the statewide Catastrophic Exercise in 2014 with prep work for that endeavor beginning now.

2013 will prove to be a very challenging year. As of this writing, we are faced with a substantial loss of Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement funds. Additionally, our decrease in call volume – a phenomena being experienced across the region - has had a significant impact on our finances. In an effort to offset this decrease in revenue, Lyndon Rescue has taken steps to diversify adding other revenue opportunities i.e. the Zoll distributorship, providing billing services for other ambulance services as well as our management agreement with Danville. Even with these aforementioned additions coupled with sound financial restraint and a clear business plan, Lyndon Rescue, is requesting an **INCREASE** in our funding request to \$13.65 per person in 2013. This is the first per capita **INCREASE** request in 6 years. This makes the funding request for 2013 to be: \$82,896.00

On behalf of the crewmembers I thank you for the opportunity to report on *your* Lyndon Rescue.

Cordially,


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