



## EMPOWERING MARION FOR SUCCESS II

### Marion County Fire Rescue (MCFR)

#### **FY 24/25 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Accomplishments (April - June):**

##### **Public Safety – Manage the Increased Demand for Emergency Services**

1. Finalized with Levy County for formal Interlocal Agreement for Mutual Aid agreement for Fire Rescue Services.
2. Addition of resources to the fire stations
  - a. The new hires in training classes will graduate from fire and EMT school and enter the workforce.
3. Utilized the 2 new slide in units for UTV's to transport patients. Need identified during Rock the Country concert. Two additional patient moving trays (slide ins that fit in our current side-by-side's).

##### **Public Safety – Public Safety Equipment**

1. Upgrade Fire and EMS equipment
  - a. Marion County Fire Rescue (MCFR) will soon be upgrading its LIFEPAK 15 monitors to the next-generation LIFEPAK 35 devices. On January 21, 2025, the Board of County Commissioners approved the purchase of 100 LIFEPAK 35 units at a total cost of \$4.2 million. This investment reflects the county's dedication to supporting our mission.
  - b. MCFR ordered a new water tanker, and it is in the build stage.
  - c. MCFR received word that we will have 16 ambulance chassis in the process of being built. The expected delivery of the first round would be in July.
  - d. MCFR ordered 2 Engines. These are in build status and are awaiting delivery.

##### **Public Safety – Community Paramedicine and Opioid Response**

1. Increase access to care for mental health and substance abuse.
2. MCFR added five additional Community Paramedics to the system to expand its capacity to address mental health, substance use, and high-utilizer populations. This includes placing additional Community Paramedicine units in service through the Florida CORE program.
3. Add additional Community Paramedicine resources based on system demand.
  - a. MCFR is exploring funding options with shareholders for expansion.



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### **FY 24/25 – 4th Quarter Goals (July-Oct):**

#### **Public Safety – Manage the Increased Demand for Emergency Services**

1. Addition of resources to the fire stations.
  - a. MCFR will prepare for additional transport units in service at Station 17 and Station 4 for FY 25/26.
  - b. The new hire training classes will graduate from fire school and enter the workforce.

#### **Public Safety – Public Safety Equipment**

1. Upgrade Fire and EMS equipment
  - a. MCFR executed the newly awarded \$32,000 in State EMS Grant funding for equipment purchases to expand services.
  - b. MCFR was tentatively awarded \$500,000 in Opioid Settlement monies. These funds will be used to offset our current budget and expand services.
  - c. Lifepack 35's will be implemented into the field by August 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - d. Three new tankers in production. One all-wheel drive should be delivered in July.
  - e. 2 engines ordered. Expected deliveries 2026.
  - f. 14 rescues in production. Expected to receive by November.
  - g. Grass truck expected to be delivered in July.

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