

2024
Cumberland County EMS Council
Paramedic Rex Carmichael EMS Scholarship Program

Introduction:

The Cumberland County EMS Council is blessed and honored, on behalf of member EMS agencies and those who benefit from emergency medical services in the course of living, working, or visiting Cumberland County, to receive private donations for the purpose of creating and maintaining an EMS Scholarship Program.

At the request of the principle and inaugural donor, this scholarship program is named in honor of Paramedic Rex Carmichael, a Cumberland County native and lifelong resident, who has served our communities for decades in a variety of public safety roles.

Scholarship funds are awarded in a manner developed and approved by the representatives of Cumberland County EMS Council member agencies, with the sole purpose of assisting individuals with tuition and possibly other costs incurred in the course of obtaining training and securing EMS provider certification in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and then serving Cumberland County communities in that role.

The scholarship fund is evaluated annually by the Scholarship Committee. Recommendations for annual awarding allotment are made to and approved by the EMS Council. Applications are reviewed in the order in which they are received.

Eligibility and awarding parameters:

At the time of application, time of awarding, completion of the applicable training program, AND receipt of the applicable EMS certification credential, a candidate must meet the following scholarship eligibility criteria:

- Be a resident of Cumberland County OR be affiliated as a member in good standing, in either a volunteer or paid capacity, with an EMS agency or fire department with first-due 911 service area in Cumberland County.
- Candidates who are selected will receive awarded funds in the following scholarship/reimbursement amount and schedule:
 - 50% of the award will be paid by Cumberland County EMS Council, on behalf of the awardee, at the time of the awardee's registration in the training program, directly to the selected EMS Training Institute.
 - IF registration/tuition has already been paid by the awardee, as verified by receipt of payment, the scholarship amount will be paid as a reimbursement directly to the awardee.
 - The awardee must register, pay the balance due to the EMS Training Institute, and then begin and complete their EMS certification training program.
 - The remaining 50% of the award will be reimbursed to the awardee upon successful completion of the training program AND receipt of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania certification.
 - Reimbursement will be processed upon EMS Council's receipt of the awardee's paid registration/tuition receipts and a copy of their Commonwealth of Pennsylvania EMS certification.

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Scholarship amounts and schedule:

Total Scholarship/reimbursement amounts according to pursued training/certification level:

- Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) - \$1,000.
- Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) - \$1,250.
- Paramedic - \$1,500.

ALL candidates, regardless of the EMS certification pursued, are subject to the following timeline:

- Application period is **February 1, 2024 – April 30, 2024.**
- Scholarship awarding will be determined and the candidates will be notified no later than **May 31, 2024.**
- The applicable EMS training/certification program must begin between **July 1, 2024 and December 31, 2024.**

Application Procedure:

To apply, complete the application form and associated requirements found on the next page and return to:

Cumberland County EMS Council, c/o Cumberland County Department of Public Safety
Paramedic Rex Carmichael EMS Scholarship
1 Public Safety Drive
Carlisle, PA 17013

NOTE: The **NEXT** available scholarship offering will be on the following schedule:

- Application period will be **August 1, 2024 – October 31, 2024.**
- Scholarship awarding will be determined and the candidates will be notified no later than **November 30, 2024.**
- The applicable EMS training/certification program must begin between **January 1, 2025 and June 30, 2025.**

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Scholarship Application

Applicant Information				
Name:				
Street address:				
City, state, zip				
Email:		Phone #:		
<input type="checkbox"/>	I am 18 <u>years of age or older</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	I am <u>under</u> 18 years old. Specify date of birth: 	
Secondary Eligibility (if not a Cumberland County Resident)				
Cumberland County EMS agency or fire department affiliation:				
Agency contact (name, phone, & email) for verification of affiliation				
EMS training and certification program for which you are applying for scholarship funds:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) – \$1,000 toward registration & tuition fees.				
<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) – \$1,250 toward registration & tuition fees.				
<input type="checkbox"/> Paramedic - \$1,500 toward registration & tuition fees.				
Program				
<input type="checkbox"/> I am currently registered to attend an EMS Training/certification program which is in good standing with the PA Department of Health. <input type="checkbox"/> My registration date for an EMS Training/certification program which is in good standing with the PA Department of Health is pending. If the latter, projected registration date: 				
EMS Training Institute name:	<input type="checkbox"/> HACC	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:		
Program Start Date:				

Submit this page, along with a 350-word essay explaining your reasons, motivation, and desire to become an EMT, AEMT, or Paramedic and how your achievement will positively impact those who live, work and travel through Cumberland County, to:

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