
Richmond Rescue Quarterly Report

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Hello,

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Quarterly Report to Towns - 2025-2026 Q2

2025 wrapped up with 1,558 calls and 884 transports. You can view our [2025 Statistical Report](#) with charts and graphs. Both of those are all-time records. We continue to see above-average call volume into January. There are two major drivers: first, the weather has led to many more car accidents than usual. Second, influenza and COVID rates have been rising in our community over the last month.

Last quarter, we embarked on an interesting project that we have been working on for almost a year. We've partnered with The University of Vermont Medical Center to provide services on an emergency scene with the goal of avoiding transport to the ER. Currently, we do not get reimbursed when we treat a patient's problem without transporting them to the ER. With this program, we are reimbursed \$276 for each call that leads to a non-transport.

One common example of the Treat In Place program is when we are called for someone suffering from a stomach bug, which has led to dehydration. With the program, they will receive a liter of IV fluid and some anti-nausea medication. After trialing some oral rehydration and a consultation with an ER physician, most people are feeling better and can stay at home.

The Camels Hump Backcountry Rescue Team continues to be busy. We've been involved with a number of calls for lost skiers in the backcountry. We're often able to get them straightened out with a phone consultation. In October, we helped a mountain biker with a shoulder injury at the Driving Range mountain bike trails in Bolton. With help from Huntington Search & Rescue and Run Amok Syrup (ATV ride), we were able to locate, treat, and transport the biker to a waiting ambulance.

We have also started the Nicole Killian Wilderness Medicine Workshop for our Communities in honor of our colleague who died in a climbing accident three years ago. The community workshops are offered once per month and have covered cold weather emergencies, splinting, and bleeding control so far. We have many more topics planned for the future.

We continue to be in a strong position financially. With our above-average call volume, we continue to see increased billing revenue.

You can find all of our [town documents](#) in one location, including our most recent Form 990, statistics, and financial statements.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions about our operations.

Sincerely,

Michael Chiarella - Director of Operations

Vivian Aeder - President