

**Life EMS Ambulance of Lake County
Ambulance Report
April 1 through June 30, 2023**

Ambulance operations for Life EMS of Lake County ran well during the second quarter of 2023. During this reporting period Life EMS completed 553 ambulance transports and on scene assessments in Lake County. This is 20 fewer when compared to the same time period last year.

The Lake County operation continues to be fully staffed. We currently have one EMT in the testing process for paramedic and another EMT that should be eligible to apply for National Registry paramedic testing in September.

On Blessing of the Bikes weekend, we staffed a 3rd ambulance Friday through Sunday during our peak times along with a staffed golf cart at the airport. We had an increase in call volume of about a third throughout the weekend in Lake County. Most requests for EMS responses were not related directly to motorcycle and vehicle crashes.

On May 6th West Shore Community College held a graduation ceremony for their EMS students. The college invited agencies to display their vehicles in the parking lot prior to the ceremony. Life EMS, as well as several other agencies in the region, supported the event with a large display of emergency vehicles.

National EMS week was celebrated May 21-27. It was our pleasure to recognize the efforts of our Lake County staff, and their families, by holding a cookout for the EMS Week dinner. By popular request, Jim and I fired up our smokers and prepared ribs and pulled pork, something the associates anticipate every year. Once again, we had a very good turnout of staff and their families for this event. Our local supervisors prepared a large breakfast and bought lunches on a few days as well. Our associates expressed appreciation to the leadership team for serving them during the week. Additionally, each associate received a Life EMS commemorative shirt as a small token of appreciation for their dedication.

During this reporting period the National Forest Service contracted us to perform medical standbys for their annual physical agility testing.

There were 3 successful STEMI cases in this quarter: 1. A 75-year-old female was transported emergently to Reed City and subsequently flown to the Meijer Heart Center where she received 1 stent in her RCA and was discharged 2 days later. 2. A 70-year-old man was identified by our crew as having a STEMI, he also ended up at the Meijer Heart Center where 2 stents were placed over a 95% occlusion in the LAD. 3. A 50-year-old was found to have a positive ECG for STEMI in the inferior leads. After correcting an extremely low BP, his ECG returned to a normal reading. He was flown from Reed City to the Meijer Heart Center and received emergent cardiac catheterization. His coronary arteries did not have any blockage. After reviewing the initial ECG that we obtained in the field, he was suspected of having a coronary artery

spasm. He is being treated medically; without the initial ECG, they would not have been able to determine this.

Thank you for allowing Life EMS to provide ambulance service to Lake County.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Stockhill
Director of North Operations
Life EMS Ambulance