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Manitou Springs Fire Department Brings Emergency Transport Services for Manitou Springs In-House

MANITOU SPRINGS CO –The Manitou Springs Fire Department has developed an Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Transport Division that will begin providing ambulance transport services to Manitou Springs on February 12, 2023. These services will be provided by six new employees who will staff the departments ambulance with one Paramedic and one Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) 24/7/365. These professionals will work and train side-by-side with current staff and volunteers, in an effort to provide the best possible care for the Manitou Springs community.

The establishment of an EMS Transport Division was solely based on the desire of the Fire Department to provide reliable professional emergency medical care and transport in a significantly reduced response time frame then that currently being provided.

Chief John K. Forsett commented on the transition, and stated, “The Manitou Springs Fire Department would like to thank our amazing City leadership and community for their unwavering support that allows our firefighters, EMTs, and paramedics to provide service, train, educate, and gain knowledge in an environment that reinforces excellence.” He continued “We would also like to thank American Medical Response and recognize them for their years of service to our community and continued partnership moving forward into the future.”

A note for the media:

Chief Forsett and/or Deputy Chief Buckmiller with the MSFD will be available for interviews at the Fire Station (620 Manitou Ave.) from 1:30p.m. – 2:00p.m. on February 10, 2023. Please let us know you will be in attendance by emailing atrefry@manitouspringsco.gov

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