

## **FY2025/2026 EMS Equipment Grant Program**

### **Program Overview**

The Ulster County Department of Emergency Services EMS Division Equipment Grant Program provides a structured and equitable funding opportunity for Ulster County-based EMS transporting agencies to enhance patient care. By requiring high training standards, adherence to response expectations, and sustainability planning, the program ensures that agencies remain prepared to meet the growing demands of emergency medical services in Ulster County. Through this initiative, the Ulster County Department of Emergency Services EMS Division supports the continued improvement and resilience of the EMS systems in Ulster County.

### **Grant funded**

Total funding allocation is \$500,000 to be used to purchase Zoll X Series 12-Lead ECG Monitors with NIBP, pulse, respiratory rate, SpO2, and waveform capnography capabilities and LUCAS Chest Compression Systems for eligible agencies within the program.

### **Expected Outcomes**

1. Increase EMS agencies' capacity to provide higher-quality patient care.
2. Improve emergency response capabilities through upgraded medical equipment.
3. Solidifying training standards for EMS personnel.
4. Strengthen the EMS system across Ulster County.

### **Implementation Timeline**

Application: May 22, 2025, through July 18, 2025

Implementation: May 22, 2025, through December 2026

### **Approved Equipment**

- Zoll X Series 12-Lead ECG Monitor with NIBP, Pulse, Respiratory Rate, SpO2, and waveform capnography.
- LUCAS Chest Compression System

**Eligibility Criteria** for the Zoll X Series 12-Lead ECG Monitor with NIBP, Pulse, Respiratory Rate, SpO2, and waveform capnography and the Lucas Chest Compression System

### **To be eligible for this grant, the Agency must:**

1. Be an Ulster County-based agency defined as a physical base of operations within Ulster County.
2. Be an BLS EMS Transporting agency designated as either independent, municipal or fire department based.

**To be eligible for the Zoll X Series 12-Lead ECG Monitor with NIBP, Pulse, Respiratory Rate, SpO2, and waveform capnography, the BLS Agency agrees to:**

1. To submit for approval to the Hudson Valley Region Emergency Medical Services Council (HVREMSCO) for all adjuncts the agency does not currently participate in the use of.
2. Participate in NYS BEMS a Supraglottic Airway Pilot Program.
3. To participate in Ulster County Department of Emergency Services EMS Division adjunct training sessions to ensure at least 70% of all active EMTs (defined as eligible to respond to EMS calls) are trained in all of the Hudson Valley Region's approved adjuncts.
4. Demonstrate a minimum 70% response rate to EMS calls within their designated primary response area within the previous 12-month period.
5. Adhere to NYS BEMS and Hudson Valley Regional EMS medical protocols and equipment guidelines.

**To be eligible for the LUCAS Chest Compression System, the agency agrees to:**

1. Train all Drivers in American Heart Association CPR
2. Ensure at least 70% of all active providers and drivers (defined as eligible to respond to EMS calls) participate in an Ulster County Department of Emergency Services EMS Division training-sponsored session on the Lucas Chest Compression System.
3. Attend an Ulster County Department of Emergency Services EMS Division-sponsored team approach cardiac arrest training session.
4. Demonstrate a minimum 70% response rate to EMS calls within their designated primary response area within the previous 12-month period.
5. Adhere to NYS BEMS and Hudson Valley Regional EMS medical protocols and equipment guidelines.

**Application Process**

Submit a completed application

<https://forms.office.com/g/Q5tbNttVwm>

**Review & Approval**

1. The Ulster County Department of Emergency Services EMS Division will assess applications based on the eligibility criteria.
2. Agencies may be required to provide additional supporting documentation to validate their request

**Disbursement of Equipment**

Approved agencies will receive direct equipment disbursement as grant training criteria is met.

**Training Requirements**

1. Participate in Ulster County Department of Emergency Services EMS Division initial and follow-up adjunct training to ensure at least 70% of all active EMTs (defined as eligible to respond to EMS calls) are trained in all of the Hudson Valley Region's approved adjuncts.

2. Participate in the Ulster County Department of Emergency Services EMS Division initial and follow-up Supraglottic Airway Pilot Program adjunct training sessions for initial certification as required.
3. Ensure at least 70% of all active providers and drivers (defined as eligible to respond to EMS calls) participate in an Ulster County Department of Emergency Services EMS Division training-sponsored session on the Lucas Chest Compression System.
4. Attend an Ulster County Department of Emergency Services EMS Division-sponsored team approach cardiac arrest training session.

#### **Follow-Up & Reporting**

1. Agencies must attend a 90-day post-distribution meeting with the Ulster County Department of Emergency Services EMS Division to evaluate the program's efficacy.
2. Meet reporting requirements for the Supraglottic Airway pilot program as defined by the Hudson Valley Regional Medical Service Council (HVREMSCO).
3. Provide Quarterly updates and submit reports as required by the Ulster County Department of Emergency Services EMS Division in relation to the grant funding as previously outlined, including but not limited to:
  - Annual equipment maintenance records.
  - Operational compliance adjunct performance reports
  - Training and staffing updates.
  - Report any failures of adjuncts used by a member.
  - Report any equipment failures

#### **Sustainability Plan**

1. Agencies must provide a sustainability plan outlining:
  - a. Long-term maintenance of equipment.
  - b. Operational readiness strategies to ensure continued equipment use beyond the grant period.