

# Township of Cheltenham



## Emergency Medical Service

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Dear Neighbors,

Throughout 2015 the Cheltenham Emergency Medical Service (EMS) continued to obtain the latest lifesaving equipment, while also ensuring our staff has the most up-to-date training. For example, earlier this year we received two Lucus devices through a grant from the Montgomery County EMS. These “automatic CPR devices” assist EMS staff during cardiac arrests. While our dedicated team provides emergency care 365 days a year, only once a year do we in turn appeal to you for your assistance.

Your continued support helps EMS and Cheltenham Township maintain our advanced life-support vehicles, specialized equipment, training for our Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians, and other ongoing operating costs. By choosing to become a subscriber in 2016, you not only support EMS but could also reduce your out-of-pocket expenses for costs like deductibles and co-pays. Your subscription to EMS will save you and your family money on any emergency calls you may require in 2016. Each call can cost in excess of \$1,000, so your minimal subscriber payment now could save you big money later. **(EMS will bill Medicare and insurance companies to help keep *your* family’s expenses to a minimum.)**

For the fifth straight year, we have not increased our rates! Our 2016 rates are \$60 for a family, \$40 for an individual, \$25 for one senior (over 65) and \$50 for a senior couple.

For your convenience, this year your subscription and any donation may be paid by check *or credit card*; however, the credit card payment processing company will charge a \$3 minimum convenience fee. You can pay online at [www.CheltenhamTownship.org](http://www.CheltenhamTownship.org) by clicking the tab “I Want To” and selecting “Pay” and then “EMS Membership Fee.” Please complete the enclosed subscription card with the names of all members of your household and mail it to EMS, even if you pay online. Don’t forget to sign your card. **The entire EMS family thanks you and your family for your support over the past 34 years.**

*Best wishes for a happy, safe and healthy 2016,*  
**The Management and Staff at Cheltenham EMS**

P.S. To protect yourself and your family, Cheltenham EMS urges you to stay informed during any emergency. Start by signing up for **Ready MONTCO (new in 2015)**, which sends updates 24/7 to emails, cell phones, and pagers, at <http://ReadyMontco.org>. For local updates, “friend” Cheltenham Township Emergency Management on Facebook and sign up for E-Notifications on the Township website at [www.CheltenhamTownship.org](http://www.CheltenhamTownship.org).