

## Are you interested in becoming part of the ESC team?

If you would like more information call the Emergency Services Corps program director at the YMCA Resource Center at 302-571-6975 or send this form to:

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YMCA Resource Center of Delaware  
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### New Castle County Emergency Services Corps I'd like more information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Day phone \_\_\_\_\_

Evening phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a driver's license?

yes  no

### The Partners

**New Castle County** – The Emergency Services Corps is an initiative of New Castle County Executive Christopher A. Coons to ensure a safe community environment. It protects citizens' lives, health, and property with quality law enforcement, emergency medical services, emergency preparedness and emergency communications. The following organizations are partners in the Emergency Service Corps.

**YMCA Resource Center** – The ESC will be managed and coordinated by the YMCA Resource Center. The Resource Center is a community outreach branch of the YMCA of Delaware. The YMCA of Delaware is a statewide organization that serves more than 135,000 people each year. Resource Center programs have been delivered for more than 30 years at schools, churches, youth organizations, libraries, and with a variety of non-profit, government and private sector entities.

**New Castle County Volunteer Firemen's Association** – The NCCVFA is a non-profit organization made up of 21 volunteer fire companies and the City of Wilmington career fire department. It provides life safety education, fire suppression, rescue and emergency medical services to the residents of and visitors to New Castle County, Delaware. The association promotes cooperation and efficiency among its member companies

**AmeriCorps** – Created in 1993, AmeriCorps is a network of national service programs that engage more than 50,000 Americans each year in intensive service to meet critical needs in education, public safety, health, and the environment. AmeriCorps members serve through more than 2,100 nonprofits, public agencies, and faith-based organizations. They tutor and mentor youth, build affordable housing, teach computer skills, clean parks and streams, run after-school programs, and help communities respond to disasters.



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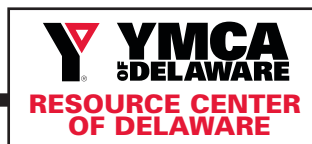
**Provide critical community services.**

**Be a part of emergency services countywide.**

# New Castle County Emergency Services Corps

**An AmeriCorps Program**

**COMMIT ONE YEAR  
CHANGE YOUR LIFE,  
YOUR COMMUNITY  
FOREVER**



# JOIN THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES CORPS

## The Problem

New Castle County residents need firefighters and paramedics more than ever, and there simply aren't enough of them.

## The Solution

The YMCA Resource Center is establishing the New Castle County Emergency Services Corps (ESC), an AmeriCorps program, in partnership with New Castle County government, the New Castle County Volunteer Firemen's Association (NCCVFA) and many of the county's volunteer fire companies.

The ESC will be a team of 15 AmeriCorps members who commit to a one-year program of community service with the county's paramedics or volunteer fire companies.

The goal of the ESC is to increase the visibility of the paramedic services as a career and to increase membership in the volunteer fire companies as a firefighter/ Emergency Medical Technician (EMT).



## Benefits

Corps members will work 35 hours each week and will receive:

- A \$12,400 living stipend
- Health insurance
- Help with child care if needed
- Valuable and portable training and skills
- A \$4,725 college scholarship upon completion of service.

Members from outside New Castle County will be eligible for up to one month of free housing with host families of current volunteer firefighters.

## Valuable Training

### "First Responder"

- Intro to the Emergency Services
- CPR/AED
- CPR/AED Instructor's Course
- First Responder Course
- Fire Service Instructor I
- Fire Company Management

### Volunteer Recruitment & Support

- Communication Skills
- Stress Management
- Effective Problem Solving
- Conflict Resolution
- Team Building
- Project Planning
- Drug and Alcohol Awareness

## Duties

While Corps members will be assisting agencies in the delivery of emergency services, their main responsibilities will be assisting the fire companies and the county paramedics with community outreach programs. Corps members will help recruit new firefighters, new fire company support volunteers and new paramedic candidates.

Other duties will include assisting in community service projects, such as fire prevention presentations, CPR training and public education. The public education component will include helping to organize fire station tours, civic association meeting preparation/ follow-up and other fire company support functions.

## ESC members will be responsible for

- **Recruitment of new volunteer firefighters and paramedics.** To reach prospective emergency services volunteers, ESC will send mailings to homeowners, conduct door-to-door contacts in residential neighborhoods, attend neighborhood association meetings, and distribute brochures in residential areas.
- **Recruiting for other activities.** Volunteer fire companies have a need for many services that can be provided by volunteers. These services include such diverse activities as equipment maintenance, community relations, public education, training, administration, planning, clerical support, photography, mapping, coordination of social functions and recruitment.
- **Youth Education.** Youth programs are organized activities to be conducted by County paramedic staff to teach youth of various ages how to recognize, avoid, and manage major risks to their health and safety. They can be provided at a fire station, a community facility, or wherever young people are found: schools, malls, summer camps, day-care centers, Boys/Girls clubs, YMCAs/YWCAs, or fairs.
- **Public CPR Training.** After completing the required training themselves, ESC members will provide CPR/AED training to the general public. Training can be conducted for civic associations, employers, and schools. Every training class is a recruiting opportunity.

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