



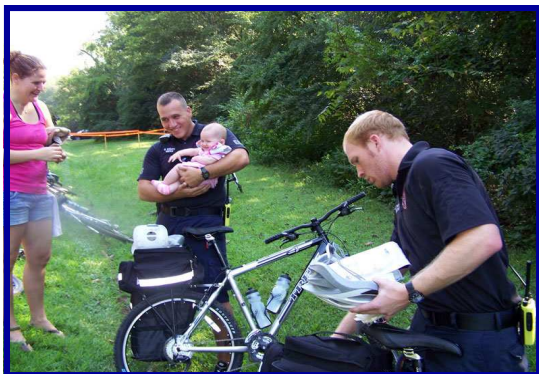
Bike Medic Team



Team leader Stephen Williams and David Hardin of Biker's Choice pose with the team's first bikes.



Bike Team Members assist EMS Medic 11 with treatment and extrication of patient from the woods.



Williams takes time out for his fans as Tucker restocks for the next response.

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Sumner County Emergency Medical Services is proud to announce the formation of a bicycle medic team. This team will provide rapid mobile emergency medical care during special events, football games and other various gatherings.

The team is comprised of EMT-IVs and Paramedics and will initially provide basic life support treatments and patient stabilization with future goals to provide full advanced life support care.

"This program is unique in that it allows our personnel to gain needed public exposure and provides on-the-spot rapid medical treatment for our citizens." states Keith Douglas, Director of Sumner EMS. "It's something that we are very proud to offer our community."

Initial equipment was partially obtained with a generous donation from Team Magic Event Management along with product discounts provided by Biker's Choice of Hendersonville. The team currently has two Trek 4500 bicycles with specially designed medical storage bags and is in need of further financial support to reach their goal of outfitting ten members.

"Our ultimate goal is to provide rapid advanced life support treatments which will require specialized equipment to include cardiac monitors and other related devices." states Michael Cook, Public Information Officer for Sumner EMS. "We are currently seeking financial assistance from the community to reach that goal."

Team leader Stephen Williams and member Jason Tucker, both EMT-IVs with Sumner EMS, put the team to work during a Lock 4 mountain bike race. During that event the team responded to a fallen biker and provided the initial assessment, intravenous fluid administration and wound care management. The team contacted Sumner EMS Communications and requested an ambulance for further treatment and transportation. Sumner EMS Medic 11 responded and provided those services.

"It would have taken up to 30 minutes for an ambulance crew to get that deep in the woods. Our team was at the patients side and administering care in under 2 minutes. That's what this team is all about." states Williams.

Sumner EMS is proud to offer this service to our community and we hope to continue its growth in future years. We would like to thank our sponsors especially the support of Biker's Choice of Hendersonville and Team Magic Event Management for their generous contribution to our team.