



# ROCHESTER HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT NEW EMERGENCY VEHICLES

Late in 2009 the Rochester Hills Fire Department placed into service four new ambulances purchased from Emergency Vehicles Plus of Holland, Michigan. The competitive bid process undertaken by the City included an evaluation of previous department back strain injuries associated with lifting stretchers into ambulances. As a result of this evaluation, these new vehicles include power stretchers that raise and lower at the push of a button, which will eliminate the need to bend and lift.



The ambulances, built by Wheelcoach on a Chevy chassis, are considered “additional duty”--or more heavy duty--and, thus, can remain in service longer, resulting in a significant cost savings. Additionally, purchasing all four units at once resulted in a further savings of approximately \$20,000.00 per unit.



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