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SUPPORT FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND CAMP HILL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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CAMP HILL, PA--The Lion Foundation is pleased to announce funding for the Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) & Entry-Level Fire/Rescue/Hazmat Training Program offered by Camp Hill High School.

“This high school dual enrollment program exposes our 11th and 12th grade students to classes and internships in emergency medical response and fire rescue training careers,” said Robin Jones, Executive Director of The Lion Foundation. “This is a program involving a partnership with HACC, the Camp Hill Fire Department, and our high school which will benefit our students exploring STEM careers and community service. Because of the sponsorships, the courses are available to our Juniors and Seniors at no cost to the students and a big benefit to our community.”

The EMR course is offered through a partnership with Harrisburg Area Community College (HACC) and the Camp Hill Fire Department, and is held at the Camp Hill Fire Department. The course focuses on: Understanding the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system; providing immediate care for life-threatening injuries or illnesses; controlling the scene; and preparing for the arrival of an ambulance. Upon successful completion of the program and testing, students will be certified in EMR.

The Entry-Level Fire/Rescue/HazMat course is also offered through a partnership with HACC and the Camp Hill Fire Department, and is held at the Camp Hill Fire Department. This course focuses on Emergency Management; entry-level fire training; hazardous materials; rescue/Special Operations; the National Incident Management System (NIMS); and the Incident Command System (ICS). Upon successful completion of the program and testing, students will be certified in Entry-Level Fire/Rescue/HazMat.

As part of their sponsorship, The Lion Foundation partnered with Camp Hill Borough and Capital BlueCross to provide a \$10,000 grant to offset the course enrollment costs for the participating students, making the course free to any student enrolled. Enrollment costs include course registration fees, books, internships and certification exams for both Fall and Spring Semesters. These fees are not part of the school budget.

Said Camp Hill Mayor Mark Simpson: “Camp Hill Borough is pleased to partner with The Lion Foundation, Camp Hill School District and Camp Hill Fire Department in support of this wonderful program offering to our students. The program gives students the opportunity to explore potential career paths as well as the potential to give back to the community as a volunteer firefighter or EMT.”

“At Camp Hill High School, we are proud to support the EMS opportunity for our students. The learning involved encompasses a wide range of content areas in addition to lifelong leadership skills. The experience may also inform future college and career choices,” added Mark Ziegler, Camp Hill High School Principal. “Thank you Camp Hill Fire Department, HACC and The Lion Foundation for underwriting this amazing partnership.”

The Lion Foundation is a non-profit education foundation benefiting the Camp Hill School District funding academic, athletic and cultural programs not funded by taxpayer dollars. In 2019, the Foundation has already provided \$125,000 in grant funding to benefit Camp Hill students. Go to www.thelionfoundation.org for more information on what we do or to donate.