

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
RECIPROCITY EMS LEVY TRANSPORT PROGRAM / MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM  
FOR MUTUAL AID RESPONSES**

**THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING** is made by and between Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 18 and Central Pierce Fire & Rescue (collectively referred to as "the Districts") to summarize their agreement to reciprocally recognize each other's EMS membership/transport programs, whereby District residents and taxpayers are deemed to have paid for EMS services rendered by virtue of paying their property taxes.

**WHEREAS**, both of the Districts have established EMS membership/transport programs by Board Resolution, so that qualified members (residents and taxpayers) are not charged for the uninsured portion of the EMS charges for services rendered because of their payment of property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, each of the Districts regularly experience District residents or taxpayers being serviced by the other District and being charged for EMS services when the respective Districts respond to mutual aid calls in the other party's jurisdiction;

**NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY AGREED BY THE DISTRICTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. Purpose. The purpose of this MOU is to recognize that both of the Districts at times respond on mutual aid EMS calls within the boundaries of the other District. Such citizens and members will be provided EMS services by the responding District on mutual aid calls in the same manner as if they were residents of such responding District and charged accordingly.
2. Program Review. The Districts agree to review this MOU and EMS statistics regularly to ascertain whether the MOU is working fairly and to the benefit of both Districts and their respective citizens, residents and taxpayers.
3. Term. This MOU shall be effective on 12-12-2022, and shall continue until either party shall give to the other 30 days written notice of termination.

Executed by the Districts this 12 day of December, 2022.

Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 18

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Zane Gibson, Fire Chief

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Board Chair, Jason Bellerive

Central Pierce Fire and Rescue

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Dustin Morrow, Fire Chief

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Board Chair, Matt Holm