



## Calvert Advanced Life Support, Inc.

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Dear Neighbors:

Please allow us to introduce ourselves. We are Calvert Advanced Life Support Inc. Volunteer Paramedics that make up a key component of the **ALL-VOLUNTEER** Emergency Medical Service system of Calvert County, Maryland. Calvert County is the last county in Maryland that is still 100% managed and operated by volunteers. These volunteers are Paramedics, Firefighters, Emergency Medical Technicians, and rescue specialists who respond to over 19,500 calls for service every year.

The county is protected by 7 independent volunteer fire and rescue departments and a volunteer dive team. These departments provide coverage in your community for fire, rescue and basic life support ambulance (BLS) service.

Calvert Advanced Life Support Inc. (CALs) provides a **100% volunteer** Advanced Life Support (ALS) component, of highly trained Paramedics to work with the BLS companies to manage the most critically ill or injured patients. CALs responds to over 4,500 calls for service every year. That's an average of 12 calls a day, every day. Our Paramedics respond in SUVs known as "chase cars" and bring the emergency room to the patient's side. These Paramedics perform many advanced procedures and administer many lifesaving medications to treat a variety of life threatening emergencies. Our dedicated Paramedics choose to **volunteer** their time here in our community to provide these lifesaving services.

While Calvert Advanced Life Support Inc., like all the other fire and rescue departments, does receive funding from the county it is not enough to cover all of the costs associated with operating a **100% volunteer service**. We look to our community to help us expand our service to provide its citizens with the best coverage possible at the lowest cost possible. So, if you currently contribute to your local volunteer fire or rescue department we encourage you to continue to do so. As an organization, CALs would appreciate any donation you could give. Please help us help you, by sending in your donation via mail or by visiting our website, [www.calvertals.net](http://www.calvertals.net), and clicking on the PayPal icon. Calvert Advanced Life Support Inc. is a 501(c)3 organization and all contributions are tax deductible.

We at CALs appreciate your support.

Sincerely,

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