

The State of EMS in Grafton County, NH

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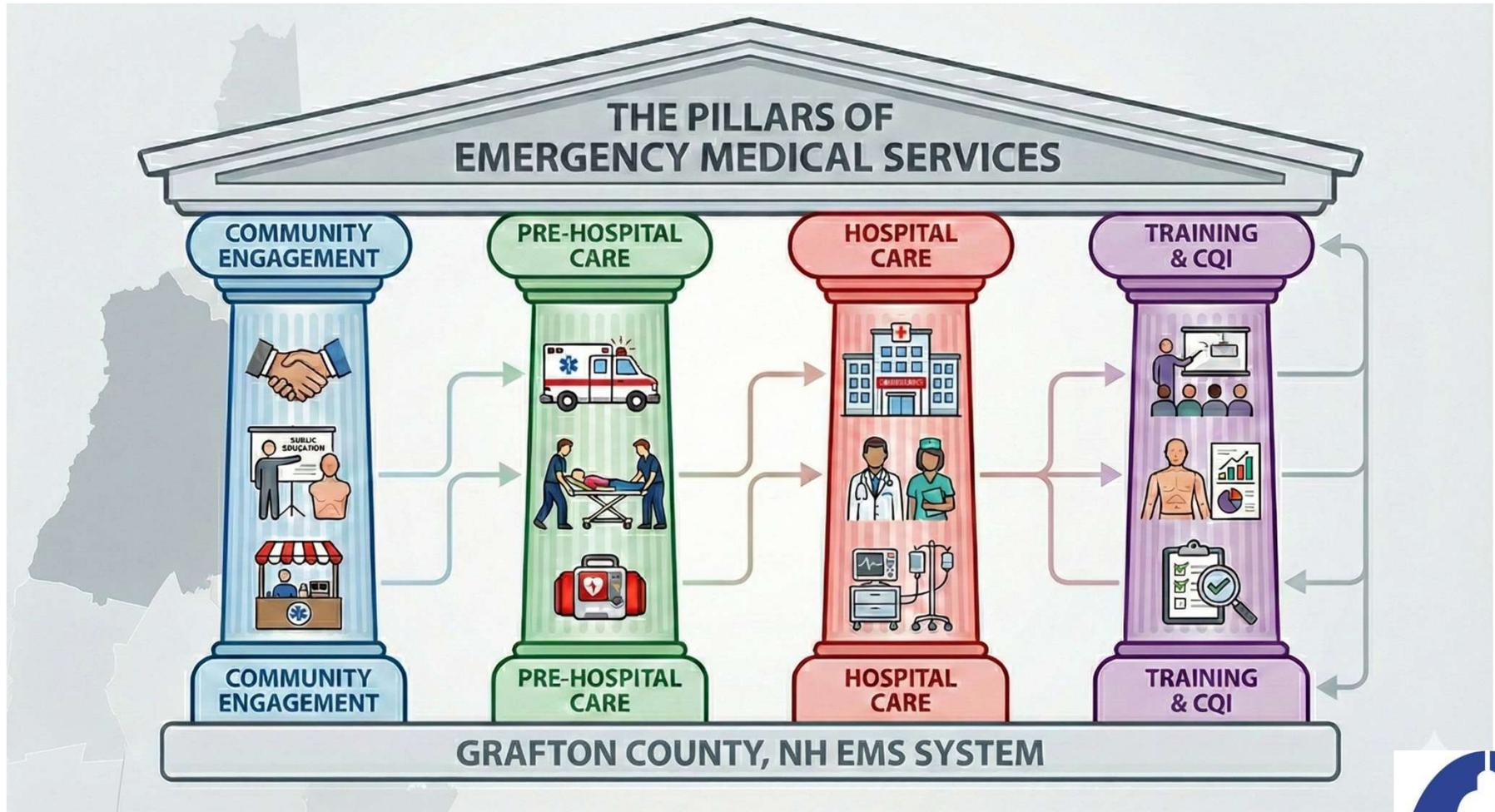


Process

- Stakeholder survey
- Site visits
- EMS resources review
- Data analysis
- Demographics & growth
- In-person interviews
- Phone and virtual interviews
- SCOT analysis
- Mapping tool



Pillars of the Grafton County EMS System





- Financial Support & Oversight
- Volunteers
- Public Education



- Communications & Dispatch
- First Responders
- Basic & Advanced Life Support
- Ambulance Transport
- Medical Direction & Protocols
- Mobile Integrated Health (MIH)



- Critical Access Hospitals
- Stroke Centers
- Trauma Centers
- Interfacility Transfers (air & ground)



- Recruitment & Retention
- Training
- Certification & Licensing
- Continuous Quality Improvement

Current State of EMS

- System Overview
- Rising Demand
- Service Gaps
- Workforce Crisis



Critical Challenges & Threats

- Financial Instability
- Equipment Costs
- Housing Barrier
- Recruitment/Retention
- Interfacility Transfer Bottleneck



Opportunities for Improvement

- Regionalization
- Funding Shifts
- Rural Health Transformation (RHT)
- Telemedicine



Mapping Tool



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Key Recommendations for Commissioners

- Establish a Strategic Task Group
- Volunteer Recruitment & Retention Program
- Advocate for Data & Funding
- Funding Initiatives to Support Communities



Conclusion & The Path Forward

- Status Quo is Unsustainable
- No “One-Size-Fits-All” Solution
- Call to Action



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