

The County Air Ambulance Trust

DID YOU KNOW?

You may know how important your Air Ambulance service is, you may not know that it is funded entirely by charitable donations without any money at all from the Government or the National Lottery.

Air Paramedics have to deal with approx 40% more stress levels than Road Paramedics

The Golden Hour is the 60 minute period between a serious incident and treatment. Every second of every minute of every hour counts during the Golden Hour. There is often a Golden Hour between life and death.

“Doctors all agree that the first hour after an accident is the most important.

The Midlands Air Ambulances have flown over 30,000 missions.

Since the launch in 1991 with a single helicopter based in Shropshire there are now six helicopters serving our region.

We serve 10 counties in the Midlands regions covering approx 8,000 square miles and represent approx 7.8 million people.

Air Paramedics are normally limited to a four year tour of duty.

If you are critically injured you often have less than 60 minutes to survive.

You might not know it then but 3 days or 2 weeks later something may have happened that is irreparable.

The helicopters are specially adapted for Air Ambulance purposes and each:

- Fly up to 12 hours a day 7 days a week
- Can be airborne within two minutes from receipt of a call
- Can travel at 160 mph
- Can carry two casualties with a crew of three
- Carries full life-support up to date medical equipment,
- Have high main and enclosed tail rotors for a smooth flight and increased safety,
- Complies with all expert recommendations,
- Has twin engines for safety
- Are designed for rapid take off and landing,
- Are highly manoeuvrable with good visibility.

There are plans to fly even longer hours including night flying.

Every second, of every minute, of every hour counts.

Please help us achieve these important aims.

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