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Tim Beadman,
Chief of Emergency Services,
City of Greater Sudbury

Dear Tim,

Cambrian College has a long tradition of delivering excellent graduates to the emergency services sector in the Sudbury Region and across the Northeast. Graduates of our paramedic program have enjoyed a 100% pass rate on the AEMCA exams over the last seven years. We have also re-initiated the delivery of our advanced care paramedic program as a two semester graduate certificate offering that may be accessed by students directly out of any CMA accredited paramedic program.

Over the past number of years, we have been increasing experiential learning opportunities, one of which is driving skills. We implemented this component to the program in the hope that it would reduce accidents by new graduate hires within ambulance services. Unfortunately, our two ambulances are aging to the point that one is no longer roadworthy and the second is close behind. We are considering using the shell of one as a scenario laboratory however, the loss will seriously impact our ability to provide driving experiences for our students.

It has come to my attention that the City is decommissioning some of its ambulance fleet. I would like to request that the City consider the donation of one (or hopefully two) of its ambulances to the paramedic program here at Cambrian.

Respectfully Submitted for your consideration,

Dan Draper,
Dean, School of Health Sciences and Emergency Services