Dayton Fire Department places two new medic units in service

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The Dayton Fire Department announces the purchase of two new medic units added to the emergency vehicle fleet. The units were delivered in late November and placed in service at the beginning of 2018.

The 2017 Horton/Freightliner Medic vehicles are now operating at Station 14 (North Main Street) and Station 16 (Kings Highway).

The new medics replace units that are 19 years old. The replacement comes as part of the Dayton Fire Department’s strategic apparatus replacement plan for replacing older apparatus with new, safer equipment.

The two new units include features to prevent injuries and increase safety for department staff. Each includes new industry-leading Stryker Power cots, which assist with lifting and lowering patients. These cots help reduce injuries to personnel caused by loading and unloading patients into the medic units.

Each medic also includes the new Horton Occupant Protection System, which offers the highest level of safety to responders while they provide emergency care in the back of a moving medic.

The new units cost about $275,000 each, fully equipped and ready to work.