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INITIATIVE
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JINGLE ALL THE WAY WITH OUR

 **SANTA
FUN RUN**



your local
air ambulance

Derbyshire • Leicestershire • Rutland

Warwickshire • Northamptonshire

Who are **Your Local Air Ambulance?**

Every day of the year, **Your Local Air Ambulance** (Derbyshire, Leicestershire and Rutland Air Ambulance and Warwickshire and Northamptonshire Air Ambulance) is helping save more lives.

Our critical care paramedics, doctors and pilots attend an average of **ten rescue missions a day.**



Within minutes they can be on the ground delivering lifesaving care at road traffic collisions, sports events, and industrial accidents or for medical emergencies such as cardiac arrest, stroke or accidents in the home.

The air ambulance gives people the very best chance of survival and recovery. Our helicopter can **fly at 185mph and carries the very latest lifesaving equipment.**

185 mph



Our air ambulance team is supported by a **Critical Care Car**, which provides valuable backup for incidents close to the helicopter base or when the weather makes it too dangerous to fly. It also enables our doctors and critical care paramedics to run a night car service so that they are available to reach those in need **24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year.**

The charity receives **no** government funding, and we rely entirely on donations to raise the **£2,300 we need for each rescue mission.**

AVERAGE MISSION COST
£2,300

OUR VISION, MISSION & VALUES



CREATIVITY



COMPASSION



COURAGE

Your support will help keep us flying. To find out how you can get involved, visit theairambulance.org.uk



Hello, and welcome to the first edition of our schools' newsletter.

WELCOME



First of all, everyone at the Air Ambulance Service would like to say a huge thank you to each and every one of our school supporters from the school staff who make supporting us possible to all the young people who listen so intently when learning about our vital work through our assemblies.

In this jam-packed edition you can learn more about our service, find out about our pioneering defibrillator initiative, have the opportunity to join in with our exciting Santa Fun Run and much more.

We'd love to hear your views and feedback so please do get in touch and let us have your thoughts - schools@theairambulance.org.uk.

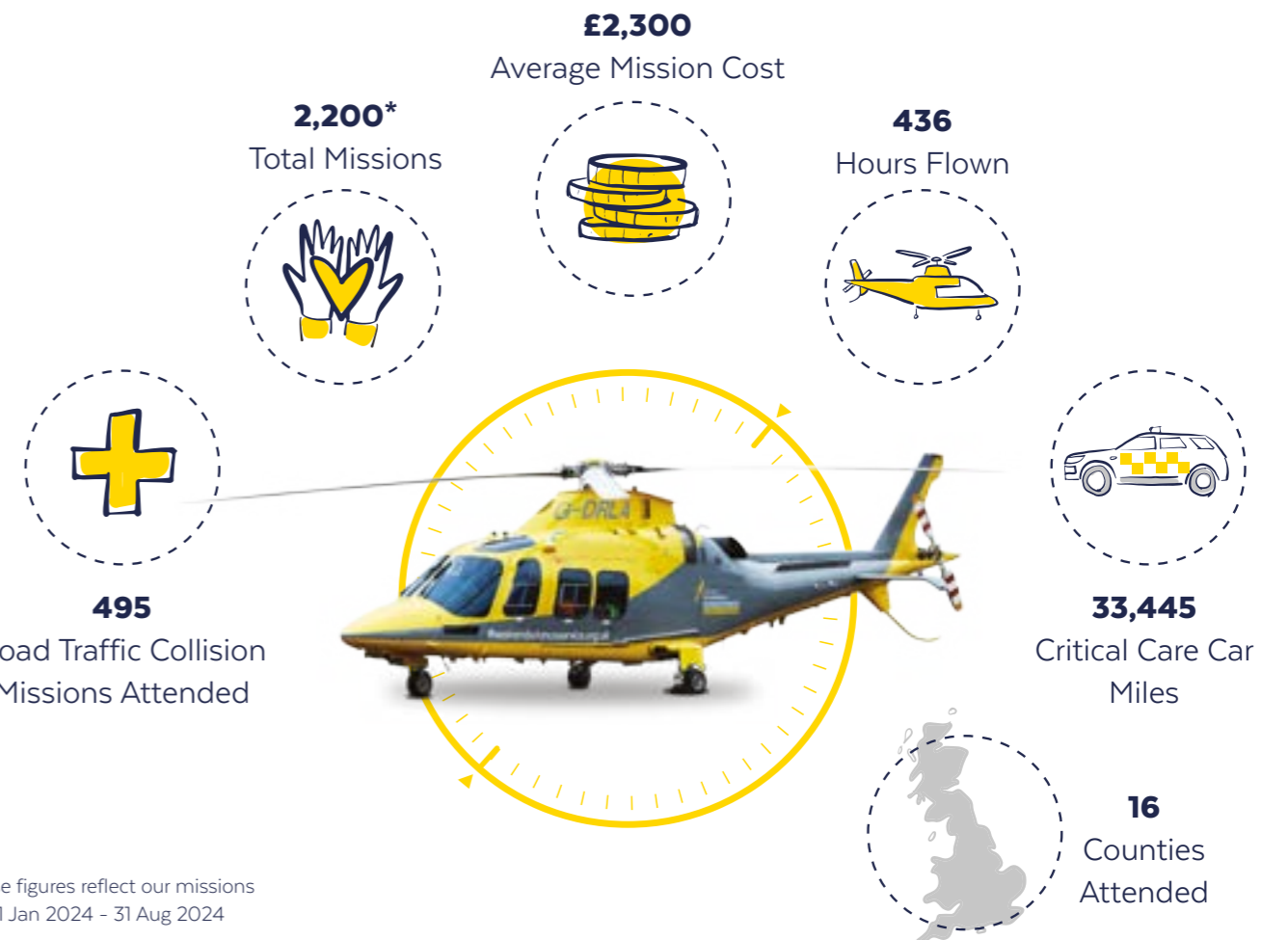
Once again, thank you for supporting the work of our fabulous helicopter pilots, emergency care doctors and everyone who works tirelessly to rescue people in your local area.

Donna

All the best, Donna
Director of Fundraising

MISSION STATS 2024

Reaching a medical emergency in rapid time can be the difference between life and death. That's where Your Local Air Ambulance comes in.



*These figures reflect our missions from 1 Jan 2024 - 31 Aug 2024

ENHANCING COMMUNITY RESPONSE WITH NEW INITIATIVE



The Air Ambulance Service (TAAS) is proud to announce a pioneering initiative aimed at enhancing community response to out-of-hospital cardiac arrests.

Earlier this year, the TAAS Operations team received 11 new Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) for use outside of working hours, marking a significant advancement in improving survival rates for cardiac emergencies in local communities across Northamptonshire, Warwickshire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, and Oxfordshire.

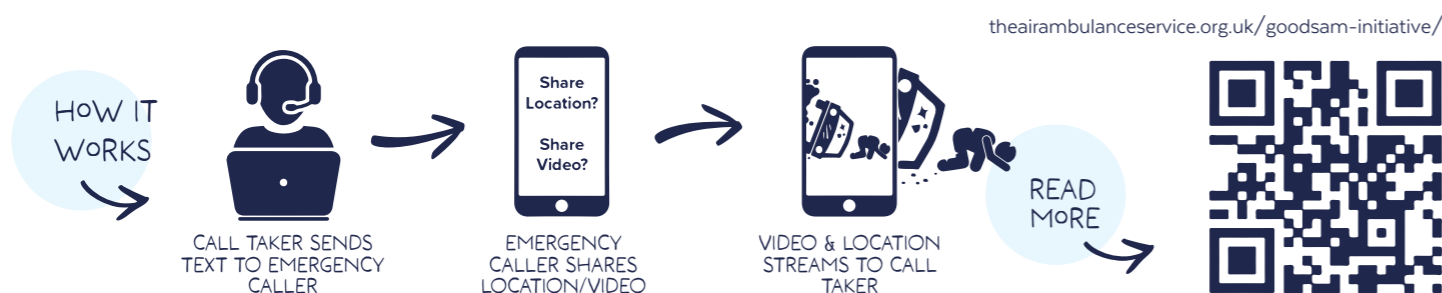
This initiative, led by Critical Care Paramedic Sam Cooper and other TAAS Operations team members, involves volunteers keeping AEDs at home to assist their communities with early defibrillation. These AEDs are crucial in increasing the survival chances for individuals experiencing cardiac arrests outside of hospital settings.

Eleven dedicated TAAS Operations team members, ranging from frontline critical care paramedics to the charity's Chief Operating Officer, have committed to this lifesaving initiative in addition to their daily roles.

With these new AEDs, team members are ready to respond to requests for assistance from local NHS ambulance services through the GoodSAM app. This platform mobilizes the public to perform early CPR and defibrillation for cardiac arrest patients.

"GoodSAM is delighted to be working with The Air Ambulance Service to improve cardiac arrest survival. GoodSAM incorporates the world's most advanced alerting, dispatching, and tasking platform with a community of highly governed, trained, and trusted responders," said GoodSAM Co-founder and Director, Mark Wilson OBE.

"TAAS has been at the forefront of delivering pre-hospital critical care for over 20 years. With this initiative, the organisation extends its reach beyond traditional emergency response measures, actively participating in the initial stages of the survival chain," said CCP Sam Cooper



SANTA FUN RUN #HO HO GO!



JINGLE ALL THE WAY AROUND THE PLAYGROUND TO SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL AIR AMBULANCE.

The holiday season is fast approaching and there's no better time to spread festive cheer across the school community!

Sign-up your school or class to take part in our Santa Fun Run and secure your place on Santa's nice list. Taking part is super simple to do...

1 Choose a date during the month of December and spread the word.

2 Decide the length and location of the course. Children have the best ideas so invite them to share their ideas too.



3 You can run the event over multiple days to allow the whole school to take part.

4 Add a playful twist to encourage healthy competition, such as best hat design or maybe prizes for fastest lap of the course.



5 Ask each student to make a donation to take part and join the fun.

Register your event with us and you will receive:

- ★ Santa headband for each student to decorate however they like and wear during the challenge.
- ★ Fundraising pack including stickers, hints and tips and more.
- ★ Downloadable letters to be sent home to parents and certificates to present to each student taking part!
- ★ Need help or have a question? Contact us at schools@theairambulance.org.uk



JOIN US AND HELP RAISE MONEY TO KEEP OUR HELICOPTERS FLYING.



VISIT → airamb.co/SantaWNDLR



COFFEE BREAK



SIT BACK AND RELAX WITH A HOT DRINK AND A GOOD PUZZLE...

T F E A D I W F K M N V A D H
 O U B V R N B S O O I M E C Q
 L N G N D U E J I U T A J H L
 I D N N S D C S K U V M H A I
 P R A C R C S R E T K L R R F
 J A N I R I R A E D E C P I E
 S I A D M R E S C U E S P T S
 H S F E S O F B G R E V F Y A
 B I D M L A C I T I R C W C V
 D N R A L A Q K G D K Q M K I
 M G A R C T J N O T U N I O N
 W N O A I X F C S C Y K I H G
 M X N P E F T S T N E I T A P
 A R E T P O C I L E H P U G X
 N C U P R U D O B V L N U I T

Words can be found in any direction (including diagonals) and can overlap each other. Use the word bank below.

- DOCTOR
- PATIENTS
- AIRDESK
- RESCUE
- CHARITY
- CRITICAL
- MISSION
- PILOT
- FUNDRAISING
- PARAMEDIC
- LIFESAVING
- HELICOPTER

Fill in the puzzle so that every row across, every column down and every 9 by 9 box contains the numbers 1 to 9.

					9		3	1
				2			6	
			5	6	7		2	8
		8			1		5	
4		1		7		6		
	6				2			9
	9							6
	8							
7			2		6	8		5



BRAIN TEASERS

Add me to myself and multiply by 4. Divide me by 8 and you will have me once more.

What number am I?

Mom and dad have four daughters, and each daughter has one brother.

How many people are in the family?

ANSWERS: Any number, 7 family members.

CLASSROOM RESOURCES

PHOTOCOPY ME TO USE IN YOUR CLASSROOMS!

Donating pre-loved items is like giving the Earth a big happy hug! Claude the clothing bank is ready and happy to accept your donations, but he is in need of a new look!! You can also add some more items to feed him with! Please feel free to copy and use the activity sheet provided in your classrooms!



If your school would like to host a clothing bank, contact our Reuse Team at reuse@theairambulanceservice.org.uk

FREE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES



We have a range of free educational workshops for you to download and use in your classrooms, covering all aspects of charity work and a deeper look into helicopters including:

- ▶ WHAT IS A CHARITY?
- ▶ HOW DO VOLUNTEERS HELP CHARITIES?
- ▶ WHAT MAKES A GOOD TEAM?
- ▶ WHAT IMPACT DO CHARITIES HAVE?
- ▶ HOW DOES A HELICOPTER FLY?
- ▶ WHERE DO HELICOPTERS LAND?



Each workshop feeds into the elements of the curriculum. To view and download the resources, visit: theairambulance.org.uk/get-involved/school-fundraising-ideas



FANTASTIC FUNDRAISERS

A huge thank you to all the schools that have supported us with fundraising activities, raising awareness, or welcoming us to host assemblies. Your support means the world to us, and we're incredibly grateful for each and every one of you. Here's a spotlight on just a few of the amazing schools that have generously supported us over the past few months.



Earls Barton
Primary School



THORNTON
PRIMARY SCHOOL



The Bliss Charity
Primary School



Soar Valley
College

A SPECIALIST MATHS AND
COMPUTING COLLEGE



DANESHOLME
JUNIOR ACADEMY

Weldon C of E



Primary School



HAZEL LEYS
ACADEMY



Paddox
Primary School

**GET IN
TOUCH**

Our team would love to hear from you, from helping with fundraising queries, booking assemblies or to give us feedback. Please drop us a line at [✉ schools@theairambulance.org.uk](mailto:schools@theairambulance.org.uk)



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