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# PRESS RELEASE

## Franklin County QRV's are First to the Scene!

*New "Quick Response Vehicles" are in full operation today*

**Louisburg, July 18, 2006:** Citizens with emergencies in Youngsville and Bunn will now see Franklin County's Quick Response Vehicles arrive first on the scene. Working in conjunction with volunteer squads, the county has fully implemented this program to help serve the growing population of the Youngsville and Bunn areas.

QRV's are expected to improve delivery of pre-hospital care to the citizens of Franklin County. These sport utility vehicles will be the first to respond to an emergency situation in these areas, fully equipped with paramedic supplies. QRV's are structured to operate 6pm-6am Monday through Friday and 24 hours on the weekend. Franklin County Director of Emergency Services Johnnie Gilliam says the new program is fully supported by volunteers. QRV personnel will initiate care then work with the volunteer paramedic ambulance to provide patient transport. Gilliam says QRV's will help cut response times to any 911 call received in Bunn and Youngsville, now providing appropriate paramedic care to Franklin County citizens in a timelier manner.

For additional information on the county's QRV program, please contact Johnnie Gilliam, Franklin County Emergency Services Director at (919) 496-5005 or visit Franklin County's website at [www.co.franklin.nc.us](http://www.co.franklin.nc.us).

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