

Basic Life Support Transport

“The Bellevue Fire Department exists to assist the public in the protection of life and property by minimizing the impact of fire, medical emergencies, and potential disasters or uncontrolled events that affect the community and environment.”



Is there a charge for transport services by the Bellevue Fire Department to a medical facility or hospital?

Yes, patients transported by Basic Life Support (BLS) units within the communities of Bellevue, Beaux Arts, Clyde Hill, Hunts Point, Medina, Newcastle, Yarrow Point and unincorporated King County serviced by the Bellevue Fire Department will be charged for transport whether transported by Bellevue Fire or a private ambulance company.

What is the BLS transport User Fee?

The current fee is \$638 plus a fee of \$15 per mile transported.

Do Bellevue and Fire Contract Community (Beaux Arts, Clyde Hill, Hunts Point, Medina, Newcastle, Yarrow Point) residents receive any special benefits?

Yes, residents of Bellevue and our Fire Contract Communities are eligible to have co-pays and deductibles waived.

What if I can't afford to pay?

The City of Bellevue has a Financial assistance – also known as a charity policy, indigent policy, and/or debt forgiveness policy – information is available at the Fire Department (www.bellevuewa.gov/fire) website or on Systems Design website at (www.systemsdesignems.com).

What services are supported by the King County Medic One/EMS levy?

The King County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system is widely hailed as one of if not the best in the world. The EMS system is “tiered” and involves both BLS service delivered by Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT’s) and when necessary Advanced Life Support (ALS) service delivered by paramedics. The King County Medic One/EMS levy is a renewable six-year levy that supports 100% of the paramedics throughout the County. **Seriously ill or injured patients that are transported by paramedic (ALS) units will not be billed.** The BLS transport fee represents only a portion of the total cost of providing BLS transport.

**QUESTIONS ABOUT
THE FEE?
CALL THE CITY OF
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