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CYFS Motor Vehicle Collision Cost-Recovery Pilot Program

In January 2020, Central York Fire Services Launched a two-year pilot program to recover costs associated with responding to motor vehicle collisions on municipal roadways in the Towns of Aurora and Newmarket.

Drivers who are deemed at-fault for collisions by York Regional Police will be charged for services provided by Central York Fire Services. Invoices will be sent directly to the insurance company of the at-fault driver and fees are typically paid by the insurer.

Currently, Central York Fire Services is the only fire service in York Region that does not charge a service fee for attending motor vehicle collisions on municipal roadways. Other nearby municipalities that have implemented cost-recovery programs include Barrie, Bradford, and Uxbridge among others.

Cost recovered through the program will be used to help offset the costs of services provided which range from patient extrication medical assistance, the use of a fire truck to assist in scene safety and the clean-up of hazardous materials and fluids at scenes.

Frequently Asked Questions about Cost-Recovery Pilot Program

Q. I'm not the at-fault driver in my collision. Will I have to pay for the services rendered?

A. No. Only at-fault drivers will be billed.

Q. I'm the at-fault driver. Will I have to pay the bill directly?

A. Invoices will be sent to the insurance company to the owner of the vehicle (based on license plate) deemed by the police as being at-fault.

Q. Will my insurance premiums go up if I am invoiced as the at-fault driver?

A. You should contact your insurance company directly to discuss how your rates may be impacted as a result of being deemed an at-fault driver.

Q. Can I be billed directly instead of going through my insurance company?

A. At this time, Central York Fire Services will be sending bills to the insurance company, if no insurance information, CYFS will directly invoice at-fault vehicle owner.

Q. How long is the pilot program for?

A. The pilot will begin on January 2020 and end December 2021. Decisions about whether or not to convert the pilot program to a permanent program will be made by the Joint Council Committee prior to December 2021.

Q. What is my insurance company paying for?

A. Your insurance company will be billed for any service provided by CYFS.

Q. How much is my insurance company being billed?

A. Your insurance company will be billed a set fee of \$477.00 plus an Administration fee of \$25.00.



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Q. Does this apply to Non-Residents?

A. This applies to both Residents and Non-Residents.

For more information contact:

CYFS at 905-895-9222.

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