

Med Stat ASAP (Alternate Support Apparatus) Not just a “Mini-Ambulance”)

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May 18, 2017 – Times Square Car into Crowd Incident



Times Square

- Intentional car into crowded sidewalk
- Jumped the curb at 42nd Street and 7th Avenue and continued onto 45th Street
- Killed 1, injured 20 (4 critical)
- 50,000 people pass through Times Square Daily

FDNY Commissioner

- Felt a different type of apparatus, as opposed to an ambulance, was needed for these potential type of incidents in high crowd areas, standbys, etc

Possible Alternate Vehicles

- FDNY had been looking at these ASAP type vehicles previously to replace the John Deere Gators
- Popular in other jurisdictions such as New Orleans during Mardi Gras events

Battle of the Badges

FDNY vs NYPD



Med Stat ASAP









ASAP

- 8 feet tall by 5 feet wide vs an ambulance 9 feet tall by 8 feet wide
- 6 wheel, all wheel drive Polaris Chassis with an ASAP built compartment
- Can travel on bike paths and bus lanes
- Any patient care that can be provided in the back of the ambulance can be done in the ASAP
- Fits a full sized stretcher
- Gets patients out of the extreme heat/cold, rain/snow weather elements
- Has heat and A/C
- Enclosed and environmentally controlled CAB for crew

- Replaced 10 Gators (still available as back up to ASAPs)
- Started with 10, obtaining funding for 5 additional ASAPs
- All members assigned to this unit went through EVOC specifically for this vehicle
- Assigned at high crowd areas such as Times Square – 1000 hours to 2200 hours
- Deployed to New Year's Eve, July Fourth Fireworks, Thanksgiving Day Parade

Thank You

Questions?

