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Senator Lea Webb Secures \$200,000 for Cortland County's Department of Emergency Response & Communications

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Cortland, NY – Today, Senator Lea Webb announced that she has secured \$200,000 in state funds to enhance the vital services provided by the Cortland County Department of Emergency Response & Communications. This funding will support the department in purchasing two new firefighting air compressors, significantly improving their operational capabilities. This investment underscores Senator Webb's commitment to public safety and her dedication to ensuring that first responders in her district have the resources they need to serve their communities effectively.

One of the new air compressors will be stationed at the Cortland County's Regional Training Center. This equipment will facilitate training evolutions using air packs during live burn rotations, teach new recruits the skill of filling self-contained breathing apparatus bottles, and reduce the out-of-service time for firefighters and equipment used during training. The second new air compressor will replace the over twenty-year-old compressor currently located at the Marathon Fire Station. Having a compressor in the southern part of the county will aid county firefighters by lessening their travel time to refill air bottles after a fire.

"I am thrilled to have secured this significant funding for new air compressors for the Cortland County Department of Emergency Response and Communications. These compressors will equip our brave firefighters with the tools they need to continue their exemplary service," **said Senator Lea Webb.** "Investing in our first responders is crucial for public safety, and this funding will enhance the department's operational capabilities. In addition, these new air compressors will allow them to respond to emergencies with greater efficiency and effectiveness. I am proud to support the emergency response department and their unwavering dedication to protect our residents."

Said Scott Roman, Director of the Cortland County Department of Emergency Response & Communications, "The fire service in Cortland County appreciates Senator Webb's unwavering support to public safety. The purchase of this equipment helps the fire service in Cortland County get to modern safety standards and lowers the burden on the local property tax payers. Senator Webb's assistance cannot be overstated in helping the safety and well-being of our fire service personnel. Her support will provide a lasting impact in Cortland County for the years to come."

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