

# Senator Pam Helming

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**Delivering Delayed Funding for the Livingston County Emergency Operations Center**  
*Senator Helming helped bring long-delayed taxpayer dollars back home to strengthen emergency services in Livingston County.*

The Livingston County Emergency Operations Center stands as a major investment in public safety. The new facility opened several years ago, but the state’s \$250,000 funding commitment remained unpaid for years. When Senator Pam Helming became the area’s representative, she made it a priority to deliver the stalled state funding that Livingston County was owed.

“Taxpayers deserve to see their hard-earned dollars put to work in their own communities,” said Senator Helming. “Working with Chairman LeFeber, we were successful in securing the state’s portion of funding for the residents of our area and our local first responders.”

The Livingston County Emergency Operations Center coordinates all emergency operations across the county. The facility enhances communication and training among an extensive network that includes six Basic Life Support ambulance services, ten fire department first-response agencies, four Advanced Life Support services, the SUNY Geneseo First Response Agency, and three air-medical providers.

“I’m grateful that this long-overdue funding has finally made its way to Livingston County and to our Emergency Operations Center. This support strengthens our ability to protect and serve our residents, and I appreciate the hard work that ensured these resources ultimately reached our community,” said Assemblywomen Bailey.

“By bringing together state resources with help from Senator Helming, local county leadership, and the expertise of our Emergency Medical Services team, we were able to create a facility that truly meets the needs of the people we serve. This is a great example of government working as it should—collaboratively, efficiently, and with a shared dedication to public safety,” said Livingston County Board of Supervisors Chairman David LeFeber.

Senator Helming’s commitment to strengthening emergency services extends beyond this project. She has been a strong advocate for first responders throughout her district, including honoring Livingston County EMS Director Karen Dewar as a 2025 New York State Senate Woman of Distinction.

“We built the Emergency Medical Services facility to expand the capabilities of the Emergency Operations Center,” said Karen Dewar, Livingston County Emergency Medical Services

Director. “The facility enables our EMS agency to deliver the highest level of emergency medical care to Livingston County residents and to continue growing as the demand for our services increases. The expansion allows us to create efficiencies, protect vehicles and equipment, facilitate education and training, and promote teamwork as we move into the future.”

Helming also joined Matt Flowers, Director of Genesee Valley BOCES, and members of the Dansville Ambulance Company to launch a new Emergency Medical Services Program. Designed to prepare students for lifesaving careers, the program offers classroom instruction, clinical experience at Noyes Hospital, and ambulance ride time.

“This funding is really about people,” said Helming. “The dedicated professionals and volunteers who make sure help is always there when it’s needed most—and the students preparing to take on that responsibility in the years ahead. Investing in them means making our community stronger and more secure.”

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