



Public Safety Department

Presents to the Community:



Project Lifesaver of North Augusta/Aiken County, Inc

A Public Safety Program used to assist in locating missing persons suffering from Dementia-type disorders that wander.



Agencies working together to save lives

The Mission: “Dedicated to bringing your loved ones home!”

Project Lifesaver International’s primary mission partnerships with local law enforcement agencies to help save money and time for taxpayers. Project Lifesaver International has joined forces with the **North Augusta Public Safety, Aiken County Sheriff’s Office & Aiken Public Safety** to aid in locating victims suffering from Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias and Autism. Project Lifesaver of North Augusta/Aiken County, Inc. deploys specially trained teams with the most reliable technology available to quickly locate and return wandering adults and children to their families and caregivers.

How it Works:



Those at risk of wandering, bolting, running and/or eloping wear a one-ounce transmitter on the wrist or ankle that emits a constant pulsating radio tracking signal 24/7. When the caregiver discovers their loved one missing, they call the police and trained Project Lifesaver personnel respond with a special tracking unit that has proved useful in locating missing persons. Hundreds of communities across the U.S. have now adopted Project Lifesaver to locate those residents who might wander away from familiar surroundings. Those folks may have Alzheimer’s disease, Autism, Down syndrome, Soto Syndrome, Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, traumatic brain injuries or other conditions that cause wandering, bolting, running and/or eloping. Statistics show that 95% of Alzheimer’s patients and 5% of Special Needs children wanders.

The Facts:

- A Non-Profit Organization founded by police to serve police in the electronic location of wanderers, available in over 325 police departments in 37 states;
- Over **1,322** wanderers have been found to date;
- Average Location Time: 22 minutes (19 minutes after arriving on the scene. Location time prior to Project Lifesaver was over 8 hours;
- Average number of trained officers used in Project Lifesaver searches: 2, without equipment searches may require off-duty officers, volunteers, helicopters, heat-seeking scopes and dogs or other equipment;

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