PROJECT LIFESAVER

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One click, one call can open doors to many long-term services and supports in Southeast Ohio.

Serving seniors and people with disabilities in Athens, Hocking, Meigs, Monroe, Morgan, Noble, Perry, and Washington Counties, Buckeye Hills fosters cooperative efforts in planning and implementing programs and services.

About Us:

Our mission is to advocate for and educate older adults, people with disabilities, and their caregivers and promote long-term care choices and consumer protection so they can take advantage of opportunities that enable them to maintain wellness, independence and dignity.

People of all ages, disabilities, and income levels can turn to Buckeye Hills for information on a full range of long-term care service and support options. We are ready to answer questions, share information about options, and connect callers to the community resources and services that can best meet your needs.

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What is Project Lifesaver?

Project Lifesaver is the premier search and rescue program operated internationally by public safety agencies, and is strategically designed for at-risk individuals who are prone to the life-threatening behavior of wandering. The primary mission of Project Lifesaver is to provide timely response to save lives and reduce potential injury for adults and children with the propensity to wander due to a cognitive condition.



How does it work?

The method relies on proven radio technology and specially trained search and rescue teams. Individuals enrolled in Project Lifesaver wear a small transmitter on the wrist or ankle that emits a unique frequency signal. If an enrolled individual goes missing, the caregiver notifies their local Project Lifesaver agency, and a trained emergency team responds to the wanderer's area. The first responders will then use the individual's unique frequency to locate them.

Facts

More than 3,600 wanderers found to date

95% Alzheimer's Disease wanderers and 5% children with special needs

Average Location Time: 30 Minutes

100% Success Record

Over 5,000,000 people in the United States have Alzheimer's and/or related cognitive impairment. The number will triple by 2050.

Well over 50% of these people wander and become lost. A lost person with dementia represents a critical emergency. They are unaware of their situation. Nearly half will die and many fall victim to predators if not located within 24 hours.

Who can benefit from Project Lifesaver

Those with a diagnosis of:

- Alzheimer's Disease
- Dementia
- MR/DD
- Autism or Down Syndrome
- Other diagnosis resulting in: Cognitive impairment, memory loss, and a potential to wander.

Eligibility

To be eligible for Project Lifesaver, the individual must have 24-hour supervision in the home. Learn more at projectlifesaver.org

The Project Lifesaver unit locates day or night, inside or outside.

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