

Yes! I want to do my part to help Price County Project Lifesaver support families in need that are faced with Alzheimer's, Dementia, Down Syndrome, Autism and other wandering type diseases by including a donation with the form below.

- \$1,000 \$500 \$250 \$100
 \$50 \$25 Other _____

Donor: _____

Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

- My donation is
 In honor of: In memory of:

Name: _____

Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Please make checks payable and mail to:

**Price County Project Lifesaver
PO Box B
Phillips, WI 54555**

THANK YOU FOR CARING!

*Services provided by:
Price County
Sheriff's Department*



The Mission of Price County Project Lifesaver is to implement Project Lifesaver through screening of potential individuals, providing community education and implementing fundraising to assist those in need of Project Lifesaver.



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Who is at risk for wandering?

Over 1,000 people in Price County have Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia. Of those, approximately 60% will develop the tendency to wander. The task of searching for wandering lost individuals with Alzheimer's, Autism, Down Syndrome, Dementia or other cognitive conditions is a growing and serious responsibility. Without effective procedures and equipment, searches can involve multiple agencies, hundreds of officers, countless man hours and thousands of dollars. More importantly, because time is of the essence, every minute lost increases the risk of a tragic outcome.

How does Project Lifesaver work?

Project Lifesaver combines "tried and true" radio technology with rescue teams from the local community, including law enforcement and public safety officials, to build an effective life-saving system that has proven itself, time and again, to be reliable, responsive, practical and affordable.

Those who are part of the Project Lifesaver program wear a personalized wristband that emits a tracking signal. When caregivers notify law enforcement officials that the person is missing, a search and rescue team responds to the wanderer's area and starts searching with the mobile locator tracking system. Search times have been reduced from hours and days to only minutes.

Can Project Lifesaver save lives?

A 79 year-old man with Alzheimer's became lost while driving his truck. When the family had searched the neighborhood with no results, a Project Lifesaver team was called. In just 35 minutes, a rescue team located the man using the signal transmitted from his bracelet. Several weeks earlier, before joining Project Lifesaver, the same man had wandered off and was missing for two and a-half days!

What are the benefits?

- Over 2,126 wanderers found to date (*PLS International*)
- Average location time: 22 minutes
- No injuries and no deaths to date
- Average number of officers used in Project Lifesaver searches: 2
- Locates day or night, inside or outside, up to a mile on the ground
- Affordable start-up fee, with scholarships available

Who benefits from Project Lifesaver?

Project Lifesaver aids individuals and families affected by Alzheimer's disease and related disorders as well as individuals with Down Syndrome or Autism. By forming partnerships with local law enforcement and public safety organizations, Price County Project Lifesaver deploys specially trained teams with the most reliable technology available to quickly locate and return wandering adults and children to their families and caregivers.



Price County Sheriff's Department deputies receive training on Project Lifesaver equipment.

How much does it cost?

The average cost of a Project Lifesaver bracelet is \$300. Cost may vary, depending on the type of wristband chosen. There is also a monthly fee of \$10 to cover the cost of maintaining the battery and wristband.

Will I have to pay out-of-pocket?

The Price County Project Lifesaver Steering Committee believes each person who needs a bracelet should have one, regardless of ability to pay. Most counties offering the program keep reserve funds for the purpose of providing scholarships to those who are unable to cover the cost of the bracelet.

How do I qualify for assistance?

Anyone is eligible for assistance. Each family is asked to offset as much of the cost as their budget will allow. This ensures that funds will remain available for others who are also in need of assistance. It is the steering committee's goal to make sure anyone in need will have a bracelet provided to them.



This Project Lifesaver bracelet is shown with its internal transmitter removed for inspection.

**For additional information contact:
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