

## Project Lifesaver

Project Lifesaver's mission is to use state of the art technology to find persons with Alzheimer's, Autism, Asperger Syndrome, Down Syndrome, Dementia or any other cognitive condition that may cause them to wander and become lost.

A lost person with a cognitive condition represents a critical emergency. They are often unaware of their situation. They may not call out for help and sometimes do not respond to people calling out to them.

Project Lifesaver consists of a bracelet with a personalized radio transmitter. This technology allows Auburn Police Officers to locate the wearer in they event that they become lost, often with an average rescue time of less than 30 minutes.

This program can help ease the concerns of caregivers who are trying to cope with wandering behaviors.



*“Our partnership with Project Lifesaver will enhance our response capabilities when searching for people who may have cognitive impairment and have wandered off. **Time** is a critical element in the success rate of these types of searches and Project Lifesaver will dramatically reduce search time and improve our chances of a successful search.”*

*Police Chief Phillip L. Crowell Jr.  
Auburn Police Department*

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*“Project Lifesaver is designed to provide comfort for the family, while safely guarding the victim.”*

*Gene Saunders, CEO & Founder  
Project Lifesaver International*

For information on this program, contact:

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*Bringing loved ones home.*

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## IMPORTANT FACTS



### *Where can I get information?*

Please call the Auburn Police Department at: 207.333.6650 x2058 and speak with Officer Michael Chaine. Or send an e-mail to: MChaine@auburnmaine.gov.

For information on Project Lifesaver International, visit: [www.projectlifesaver.org](http://www.projectlifesaver.org).

### *How much will it cost?*

The cost for the Project Lifesaver program is \$50 per year. The process and requirements of enrollment will be explained before a bracelet is provided.

*Project Lifesaver was started in Chesapeake, Virginia and is now in 1,200 agencies in 45 states and Canada. Nearly 3,000 successful searches have been conducted.*

### *Who can utilize the program?*

Any resident of Auburn who has a tendency to wander can benefit from the program. Persons with dementia and related disorders are candidates for the bracelets, as well as children with Down's Syndrome, autism, and other related medical conditions.

### *Why should someone participate?*

Peace of mind for caregivers is a primary reason for enrollment in the program. It alleviates the anxiety associated with wandering habits of loved ones.

### *What happens when an enrollee wanders?*

The caregiver notifies the Auburn PD and a search is initiated using trained and certified tracking personnel. Search times are reduced from hours and days to minutes.

*This program is sponsored by the Auburn Police Department.*

