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Administered by Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office and operated by Santa Barbara County Search & Rescue

Project Lifesaver is an alliance between The Sheriff's Office and these organizations:

Project Lifesaver International  
Alzheimer's Association  
Lions International



***Project Lifesaver  
has proven to be 100%  
successful with most  
persons found in less  
than twenty minutes***

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A proven partnership between Law Enforcement expertise and the latest technology. Project Lifesaver actively and quickly locates the missing due to Alzheimer's, Dementia, and other disabilities **before they become victims!**

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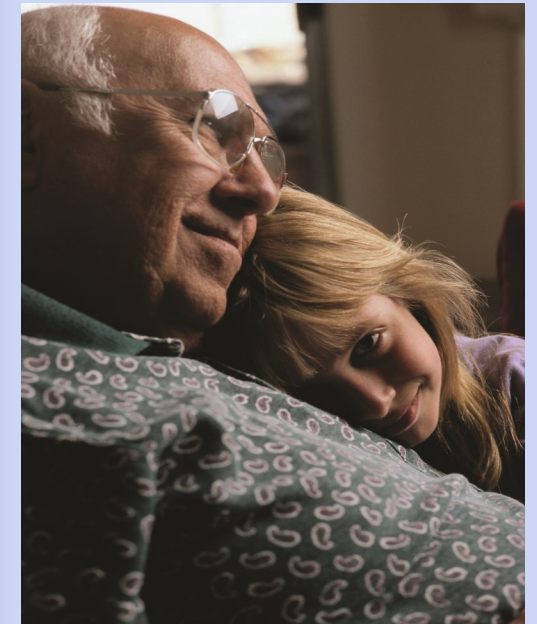
*Project Lifesaver provides a new level of safety for those with Alzheimer's disease, dementia, or other memory and judgment disorders. I'm proud to bring this innovative service to our community. It gives families and caregivers reassurance and a much needed sense of security. Where previously a full scale search for a missing person suffering from a memory disorder might last for days and require extensive public safety resources, now it may be concluded in just a matter of minutes. I expect Project Lifesaver's success to be measured not only by a savings in taxpayer dollars, but also by something priceless: the value of lives saved as a result of this worthwhile project.*

**BILL BROWN**  
*Sheriff-Coroner*

Santa Barbara County  
Sheriff's Office

# Project Lifesaver™

Helping to bring peace of mind in the reliable and rapid location of the missing and those who wander



alzheimer's   
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## The Need

Santa Barbara County is home to thousands who have Alzheimer's, Dementia, Cognitive Disorders and many youngsters with Down's Syndrome or Autism. More than half with these ailments will wander at one time or another and some will become lost, requiring an urgent well trained response. Due to their condition, those who are lost may become fearful or just may not be able to respond or even assist with being located. If not found quickly, they are at risk of serious injury or death.



## How It Works

A family member or caregiver contacts the Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office to enroll. The person is fitted with a unique lightweight battery operated wrist or ankle band which emits a silent radio signal 24 hours a day. The band and battery are maintained and replaced monthly by Sheriff's Office personnel or volunteers.

When a participant is missing, caregivers notify the Sheriff's Office. A specially trained search team responds using a mobile locator to find the missing person.



## Our Team

Highly-trained Sheriff's Search & Rescue Teams are dedicated to finding the lost and have the expert skills to put your loved one at ease for a safe return home.



## Saving Lives & Resources

### Why Project Lifesaver

- ◆ Help is immediate
- ◆ The missing can be located in minutes
- ◆ Loved ones are spared hours of stress, confusion & dangers
- ◆ Easy to wear & maintain
- ◆ Saves thousands of search hours & tax dollars

A 45 year old man suffering from a traumatic brain injury became disoriented and lost in an area he previously knew well.

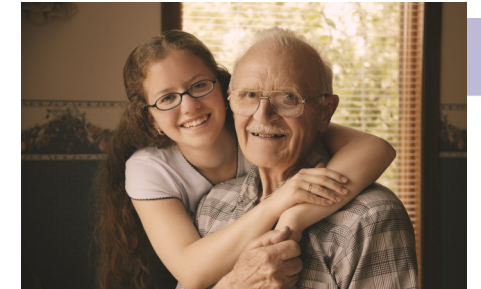
A wandering 80 year old woman had fallen and lied helplessly hidden in the mud. Deputies say they would not have seen her even from as close as 10 feet.

In a mere 20 minutes, specially trained search personnel were able to locate them using a Project Lifesaver locator. Before this technology, searches often took hours to days and consumed extensive public emergency resources. Still many ended tragically.

## Enroll In Project Lifesaver

Please contact:

**Santa Barbara Co. Sheriff's Office**  
4434 Calle Real  
Santa Barbara, CA  
(805) 681-4100



## Cost

The Sheriff's Office does not charge for anyone to be on the Project Lifesaver Program. An annual cost of \$300 (plus an additional \$100 deposit) is charged for the required batteries and bands. Thanks to generous donations by individuals and service groups such as Lions Clubs International, sponsorships may be available for those in financial need. Please contact the Marketplace substation if you would like to assist in bringing Project Lifesaver to all that may wander.