Schenectady County Sheriff's Office

Project Lifesaver



Schenectady County Sheriff's Office 130 Princetown Plaza Schenectady, NY 12306 (518) 388-4310 Ext.7007 The primary mission of Project Lifesaver is to provide timely response to save lives and reduce potential injury for adults and children who wander due to Alzheimer's, autism, and other related conditions or disorders.





The task of searching for wandering or 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.

Working hand in hand, the Schenectady County Sheriff's Office, the Schenectady County Office for the Aging and Project Lifesaver International (PLI) will help you save time, money and most importantly, your loved ones





Citizens enrolled in Project Lifesaver wear a small personal transmitter around the wrist or ankle that emits an individualized tracking signal. If an enrolled client goes missing, the caregiver notifies the Schenectady County Sheriff's Office, and a trained emergency team responds to the wanderer's area. Most who wander are found within a few miles from home, and search times have been reduced from hours and days to minutes. Recovery times for PLI clients average 30 minutes — 95% less time than standard operations.



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