

Project Lifesaver is a program started in Albany County in October of 2013 to assist families in locating a loved one lost while wandering due to disease or special need.

The program consists of a band transmitter, which is not much larger than a wrist watch, placed on the ankle or wrist. This band transmits a specific FM radio frequency which can be located by Sheriff Deputies during an incident, using special equipment.

Client's information is stored confidentially at the County 911 Communication Center for quick access. Upon notification of an incident trained members of the Sheriff's Search and Rescue Team will respond with a directional receiver designed to locate the missing client.



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Albany County Sheriff's Office Project Lifesaver

Project Lifesaver is a proven response program partnering Sheriff Deputies with people and their families living with Alzheimer's Disease, Autism, Down Syndrome, Traumatic Brain Injury and other cognitive disorders. The goal is to reach a positive outcome in cases of wandering loved ones and return them home safely.



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The banner features a blue header with the Albany County Sheriff's Office logo on the left and the text "ALBANY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE PROJECT LIFESAVER" in gold. Below the header is a yellow banner with the slogan "BRINGING LOVED ONES HOME". The main part of the banner is a dark background with a winding road. Several puzzle pieces are scattered along the road, each containing a different image: a young girl, an elderly man with a cane, and a person's hands holding a white wristwatch. The bottom of the banner is a yellow box with the text "Protecting the wandering and bringing peace of mind to families, friends and communities."

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Program Details

- Project lifesaver is a tool to assist in locating someone that has wandered away and their location is unknown.
- A person can enter the program simply by having the caregiver contact the Sheriff's Office at (518) 720-8023 or projectlifesaver@albanycounty.com.
- The program is open to persons that reside in Albany County and have a history of wandering or significant concern of wandering.
- A Project Lifesaver certified Sheriff's member will schedule a meeting with the caregiver and the client to discuss the program and explain how the program is managed.
- A deposit is needed to ensure the return of the transmitter once it is no longer needed.
- Once the program is established a deputy will visit every other month to replace the battery and band and discuss any possible changes that may have occurred.
- The caregiver will be given a tester to ensure the transmitter is working

- If a client is missing it is important for the caretaker to phone 911 right away and contact the Sheriff's Office at 518-765-2352 to report the incident.

The Albany County Sheriff's office is proud to partner with these fine organizations to bring awareness to this important program.

alzheimer's association
Northeastern New York Chapter



**Autism Society of the
Greater Capital Region**



**The Alzheimer's Center at
Albany Medical Center**



A Project Lifesaver transmitter being placed on a client's wrist.

Once placed on the client the transmitter remains on even when showering or bathing.



Sheriff Search and Rescue Team member using a receiver to locate a missing person