

It's Personal

Local law enforcement officers—who are trained to establish rapport with those with cognitive disorders—visit the participant to fit the wristband transmitter and give family members or care providers an overview of the program. This is followed up with regular home visits to inspect and maintain the wristband and change the transmitter battery to ensure it continues to operate properly.

Check out our informational video for an overview of the program:
<https://youtu.be/edhZVxmXTpg>



Immediate Response

A call to 9-1-1 will immediately dispatch the nearest law enforcement agency and SAR.

"Our 9-1-1 staff are trained to process Project Lifesaver calls. When we are notified that a client has gone missing, we will dispatch the appropriate user agencies, including the Oswego County Sheriff's Department and the Oswego County Search & Rescue Team."

— Kevin B. Pooley, Oswego County 9-1-1 Director

To Enroll, Contact:

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Emergency Communications Dept.
39 Churchill Rd.
Oswego, NY 13126

315-349-8215 or 1-800-679-3911

www.oswegocounty.com/911
Facebook: Oswego County 911



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PROJECT LIFESAVER® INTERNATIONAL

Locating missing persons with Alzheimer's, Autism, and Down Syndrome



Project Lifesaver Protects Those Who Wander

Since 2010, the Oswego County Sheriff's Office, in coordination with Oswego County 9-1-1, other local law enforcement agencies, and Oswego County Pioneer Search and Rescue Team, (SAR), has offered this program to help find people with cognitive disorders who are reported missing. This highly successful program is used around the world to help those with Alzheimer's or dementia, and children with autism.

"Loved it when my son had it for a few years!! Definitely worth getting if you have a runner like I did! Thank you all! "

– Oswego County Parent

Protecting The Vulnerable

Project Lifesaver provides peace of mind for those caring for family members with a cognitive illness, and parents of children with autism and other conditions. Recovery times average 30 minutes.

People with Alzheimer's often fail to call for help or respond when people are looking for them. If they are not found within 24 hours, nearly half will die, and many are injured or fall victim to predators.

Children with autism, Down Syndrome, and other related conditions are also vulnerable. Autistic children are often inclined to wander or bolt, given the opportunity.



"It's important for families who have members with special needs to feel safe and secure in knowing that Project Lifesaver helps to keep their loved ones protected."

– Don Hilton, Oswego County Sheriff

How It Works

Participants in this program are fitted with a personalized Project Lifesaver wristband transmitter that emits a tracking signal every second, 24 hours a day.



This signal can be tracked by specially trained personnel on the ground or in the air.

