

mergency situations can be dangerous for anyone. But children and adults with disabilities are especially vulnerable. Physical disabilities may make it difficult or impossible for them to seek help on their own. Cognitive impairment can prevent them from finding their way to safety.

Saginaw Care Alert and Project Lifesaver are two separate programs that offer additional emergency protection for Saginaw County residents with physical and cognitive disabilities.

Project Lifesaver's wearable technology allows emergency responders to find and rescue people with disabilities.

Saginaw Care Alert provides first responders with information about the special needs of a participant should they be called to his or her address.

Saginaw Care Alert is a free registration service. Project Lifesaver is sponsored by a number of agencies and has a variety of payment options including Medicaid — for persons who are enrolled in services with Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority.

Saginaw Care Alert Project Lifesaver

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Critical information in critical times

Saginaw Care Alert Project Lifesaver

Lifesaving technology for Saginaw County residents with disabilities

Wellness is fundamental.

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Project Lifesaver

We hear stories too often: a vulnerable family member cannot be found. The search is time-intensive and often takes too long; the outcome can be tragic.

Children and adults who are enrolled in Project Lifesaver wear a small transmitter around the wrist or ankle. The size of a wristwatch, the device can be activated to help people find them in an emergency. GPS technology allows responders to quickly locate the person wearing the device. Project Lifesaver wearers are found within an average of 30 minutes from notification.

Project Lifesaver is designed for people with Alzheimer's disease, autism, dementia and other disabilities. The subscriber's information is available to the Saginaw County Central Dispatchers to assist them in responding to emergency calls. Central Dispatch can provide responders with key information such as physical description should the wearer become lost. They can also provide vital information to responders to any 911 dispatch to the subscriber's home.

Saginaw Care Alert

In an emergency situation, people with disabilities are especially vulnerable, particularly if first responders are not aware of their special needs.

Saginaw Care Alert subscribers complete a highly detailed information packet. It includes information valuable to first responders —



from the person's physical description, details of his or her disability or impairment and communication skills to nicknames, hiding places and notes on how he or she might respond to sirens or people in uniform.

If there is a 911 call at the subscriber's address, dispatchers will be alerted that there is a packet on file. Dispatchers then use the information to help first responders meet the special needs of the subscriber.

Saginaw Care Alert is designed for people with any type of physical, cognitive, intellectual or developmental disability that would require special attention in an emergency situation.

To Apply

You can apply for either Saginaw Care Alert or Project Lifesaver by contacting the Saginaw County Sheriff's Department:

In person or by mail: 618 Cass St. Saginaw, MI 48602

By phone: 989-790-5456

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Neither Project Lifesaver nor Saginaw Care Alert are intended to replace the care, monitoring, attention and oversight that should be provided to a person with disabilities. By applying for either program, you acknowledge and agree that those services and equipment are intended to be an additional and supplementary tool.

Neither Saginaw County nor the Saginaw County Sheriff's Department make any warranties as to the use or reliability of these services or equipment.

