

What we can do for you ...

- Identify individuals who are at risk of becoming lost and endangered.
- Connect to other resources.
- Monthly follow-up by a team of Police Officers or certified volunteers will ensure information is current and equipment is working. This will assist police in the search effort should the client become lost.
- All information regarding the client and family is confidential, and is only used for emergency situations. Access is restricted to first responders.

Education and Community Awareness continue to be the cornerstone of Project Lifesaver's success. Our officers are active in presenting information to civic groups, health care providers, and other interest groups throughout the community.



Who to Contact:

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For more information visit:

Virginia Beach Project Lifesaver Website
<http://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/police/opsdiv/Pages/proj-lifesaver.aspx>

[facebook.com/vabeachprojectlifesaver/](https://www.facebook.com/vabeachprojectlifesaver/)

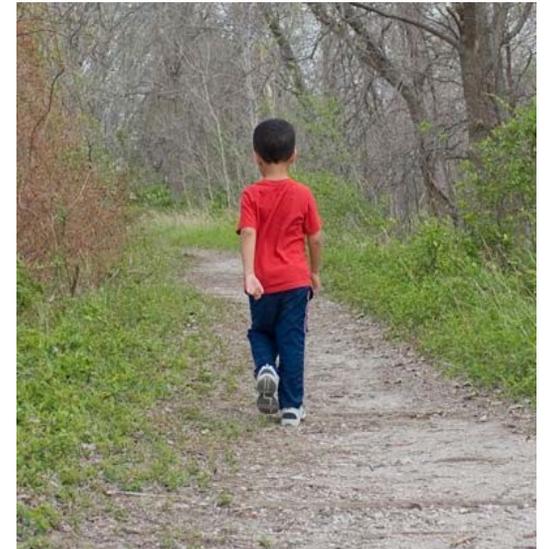
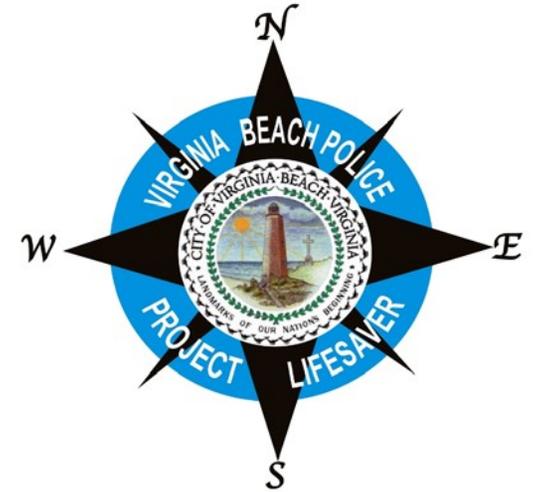
**Alzheimer's Association
Southeastern Virginia Chapter**
(800) 272-3900
www.alz.org/seva

**Autism Society of America
Tidewater Chapter**
(757) 461-4474
www.tidewaterasa.org

Beacon House
(757) 631-0222
www.egglestonservices.org/beacon-house/

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VIRGINIA BEACH PROJECT LIFESAVER



Project Lifesaver

Project Lifesaver is designed to provide security and comfort for the family while safeguarding the memory-impaired, and those who are least able to care for themselves.

What is Project Lifesaver?

VBPL is *an answer* ... an answer to the 24-hour a day uncertainty, fear, and stress that a loved one feels - a loved one who cares for someone suffering from Alzheimer's, Autism, Traumatic Brain Injury, or any other form of Dementia or Cognitive Disability.

A lost child with Autism or Down Syndrome, or an adult who is missing as a result of a medical condition such as Alzheimer's Disease or Dementia, constitutes a critical emergency and presents a challenge for the first responders in a search and rescue operation.

Nothing is more frightening than a missing loved one.



Implementation of this program greatly reduces the risk of exposure, injury, or even death.

How does it work?

- Potential clients are interviewed and oriented to the VBPL program.
- Those at risk are fitted with a wrist or ankle recovery transmitter.
- If someone goes missing, a quick call to 911 activates the process of identification and deployment of recovery personnel on foot, vehicle, and even air (recovery time averages 30 minutes vs. 8 hours or more without VBPL).

Without VBPL, it is “**Find me...** a needle in a haystack.”

With VBPL it is the lifesaving difference of “**I am here....** Come get me.”

How much does it cost?

There is no startup cost to enroll a loved one in the program, if they are a resident in Virginia Beach. Each client is outfitted with a transmitter and battery tester. The only cost to the client is a monthly service fee that covers the cost to replace the battery each month. Financial assistance may be available for those who qualify.

Much of the program costs are absorbed by a civilian board of volunteers. They support VBPL through advocacy and the development of community relationships.

Virginia Beach Project Lifesaver is the largest, most effective program of its kind in the world. We have a 100% success rate for all of our searches.

