



# PROJECT LIFESAVER ECTOR COUNTY

**Peace of mind when  
you need it most.**



BRINGING LOVED ONES HOME



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### The Best Resource in Your Hour of Need.

Project Lifesaver Ector County is a local chapter of Project Lifesaver International, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that utilizes tracking technology in the search and rescue of individuals with cognitive disorders. Project Lifesaver provides protection and safety for men, women, and children who wander due to Autism, Down Syndrome, Alzheimer's, dementia, or other cognitive brain disorders.

Project Lifesaver Ector County, which began operations in 2006, is fully funded by the Pilot Club of Odessa and donations from corporations and individuals. **This important program is provided at no cost to Ector County families that qualify through the fundraising efforts of the Pilot Club.** Project Lifesaver provides peace of mind for caregivers and the safe return of their loved ones.

"As my father's Alzheimer's progressed, it became important to my family to ensure his location if he wandered outside of the home. Project Lifesaver gave us the comfort we needed that he would be found immediately. Thank you, Pilot Club, for providing this resource for the community!" — Sondra Eoff, Caregiver

The program is managed through a combined effort of the Pilot Club (who is responsible for maintaining the equipment given to the client) and the Ector County Sheriff's Office (who is responsible for registering new clients and conducting searches as needed). This partnership has helped find over 130 clients since its inception in 2006.

## How it Works

Ector County 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 Ector County Sheriff's Office and a trained emergency team quickly responds to the wanderer's area. Most who wander are found within a few miles from home, and search times are typically reduced from hours and days to minutes. Recovery times for Project Lifesaver clients average 30 minutes — 95% less time than standard operations. Nationwide, to date, Project Lifesaver has a 100% success rate locating those who wander.

"The neat thing about Project Lifesaver is that when you find the client on a search at 3:00 in the morning or 1:00 in the afternoon, that person does not know that we are looking for them. But to see the caregiver, the reaction they give when they see us bring home their loved one... that's it. That brought it home to me." —  
Ector County Sheriff Deputy, David Jones



## How You Can Help

The Pilot Club of Odessa handles all financial aspects of the project and is committed to raising funds through donations, memorials and sponsorships to provide this service to any citizen of Ector County free of charge.

A donation of only \$500 will provide the transmitter and all supplies for one client for one year. Donations of any amount are appreciated and all will be acknowledged. Project Lifesaver Ector County has tax-exempt status under Code 501(c)(3) and donations are tax-exempt. All checks should be made payable to "Project Lifesaver Ector County" and mailed to:

Project Lifesaver Ector County / Pilot Club of Odessa  
P. O. Box 14244 • Odessa, Texas 79768

## How to Register a Client

To find out more about Project Lifesaver or to register a client for the program, contact:

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