



Office of the Sheriff Ontario County

Community Relations Programs and Services

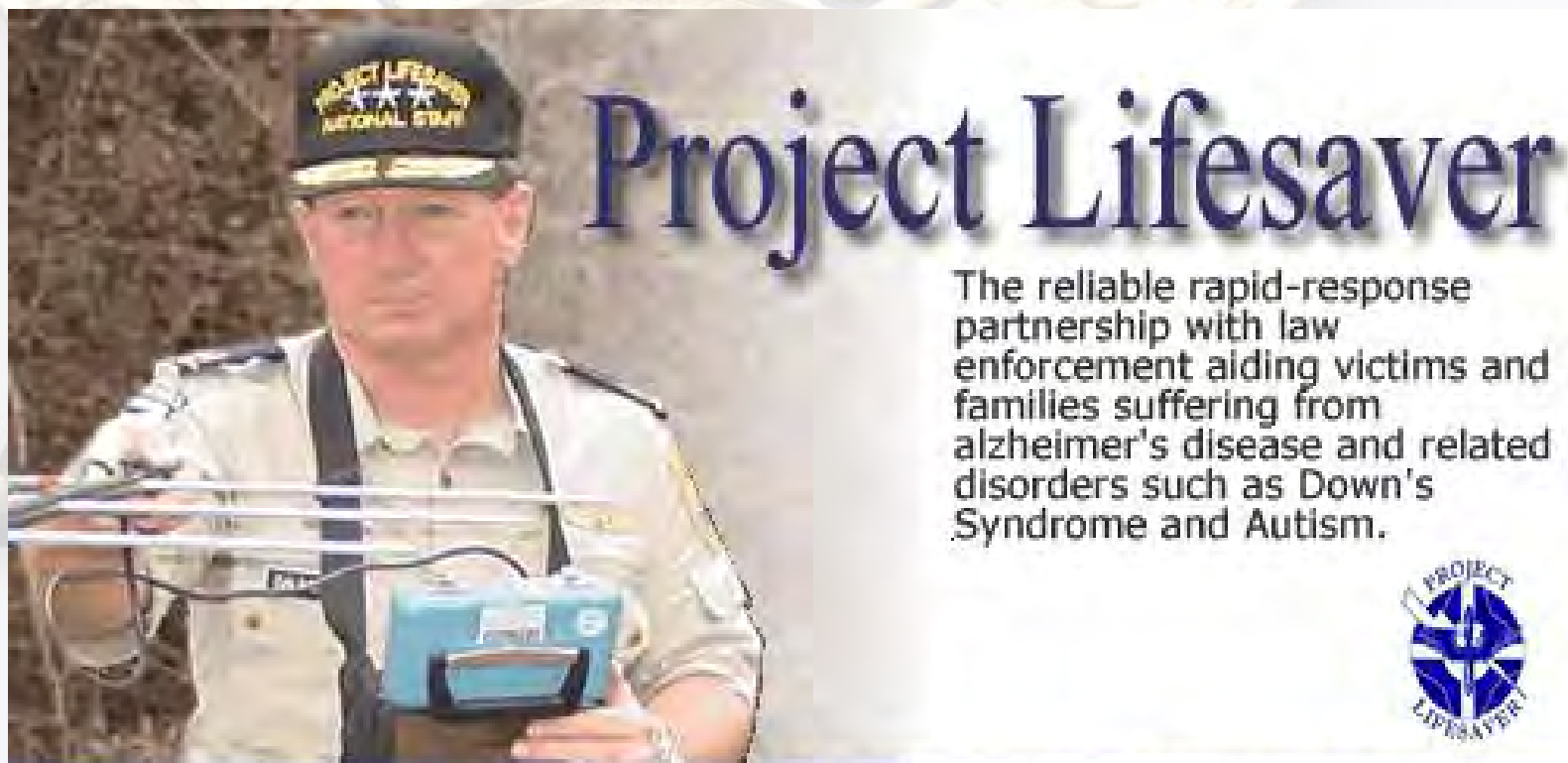


Ontario County Sheriff's Office
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Programs & Services

- Project Lifesaver
- S.T.O.P.P.E.D

The Ontario County Sheriff's Department and Ontario County Office for the Aging introduce



Project Lifesaver

The reliable rapid-response partnership with law enforcement aiding victims and families suffering from alzheimer's disease and related disorders such as Down's Syndrome and Autism.



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What is Project Lifesaver?

- Project Lifesaver is The Reliable Rescue Program for wandering victims of Alzheimer's and related mental disorders.
- Project Lifesaver forms partnerships with local law enforcement (The Ontario County Sheriff's Office) and public service agencies (Ontario County Office for the Aging)

Why is it needed?

- Over 5,000,000 people in the USA have Alzheimer's and related disorders. That number will triple by 2050
- Well over 50% of these people wander and become lost
- A lost person with Alzheimer's or other dementia represents a critical emergency
- They are unaware of their situation, they do not call out for help and do not respond to people calling out for them
- Nearly half of them will die and many can become injured or fall victim to predators if they are not located within 24 hours

Why is it needed?

- On January 9, 2001 an 82 year old woman walked away from an adult home in Ontario County and was never seen alive again
- Her body was located within a few dozen feet from where searchers were looking but due to heavy snowfall were unable to locate her
- She was literally steps away from safety at the time of the search

How does it work?

- Project Lifesaver combines radio technology with rescue teams from the Sheriff's Office
- Clients of Project Lifesaver wear a personalized wristband that emits a tracking signal
- When caregivers notify the Sheriff's Office that the person is missing, a search and rescue team responds to the client's last known location and starts searching with a mobile locator tracking system



How does it work?

- Search times are typically reduced from hours and days down to minutes
- The Project Lifesaver wristband is a one ounce battery-operated wrist transmitter emitting an automatic tracking signal every second, 24 hours a day
- As each wristband has a unique radio frequency, the Project Lifesaver search team can locate and identify the person who has wandered away from home or a care facility

Administration

- Program is administered by the Office for the Aging (OFA)
- Intake is handled through OFA
- Record maintenance, deposits and fees are handled through the Sheriff's Office
- Sheriff's Office personnel are trained for search and rescue using radio locators

A large, faint, gold-colored badge is centered in the background. The badge is a seven-pointed star with a central seal. A banner across the top of the star reads "DEPUTY SHERIFF". The seal in the center features a figure on horseback, likely a sheriff, and is surrounded by text that is partially obscured but appears to include "ONTARIO COUNTY".

Costs


- Caregivers pay a refundable deposit of \$276.10 per Transmitter bracelet
- There is a \$10 per month fee that is paid to the technician each month when they change the battery in the bracelet



STOP

What is S.T.O.P.P.E.D. about?

 It is a **VOLUNTARY** parental notification system.

 Any motor vehicle that **MAY** be driven by a driver under the age of 21 can be registered

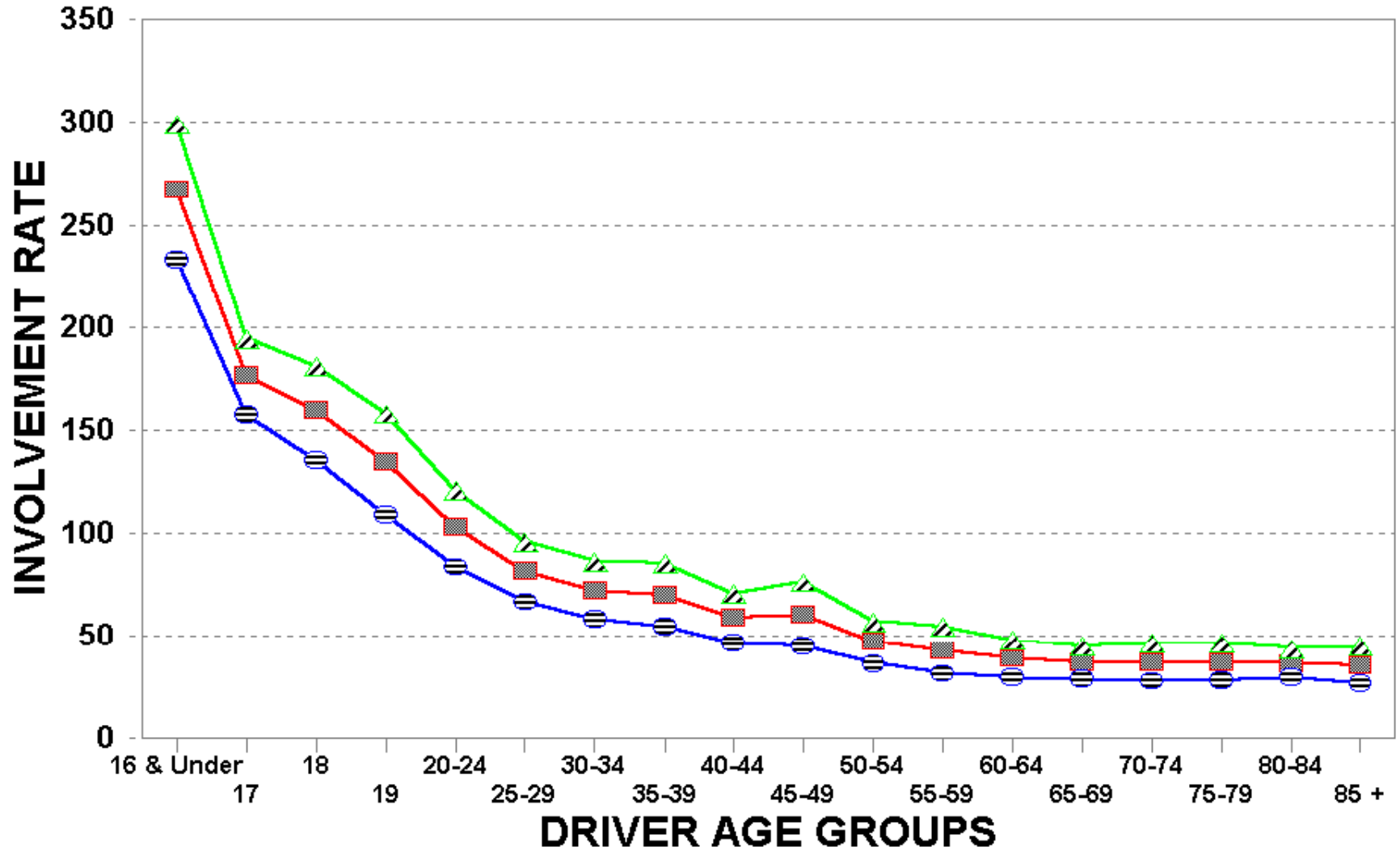
 An identification decal is issued and affixed to the windshield of each registered vehicle

Why S.T.O.P.P.E.D. ?

- In 1993 over 7,800 drivers between 16 and 21 died in car crashes
- Motor Vehicle Accidents are the number 1 killer of young people (15-20 years old) in the US
- Young people only represent approximately 6.5 % of all drivers yet account for about 14% of drivers involved in fatal crashes and 15% of drivers in personal injury crashes

CRASH INVOLVEMENT RATE, 1996

(per 1,000 Licensed Drivers)



—■— ALL DRIVERS —▲— MALES —●— FEMALES

Why S.T.O.P.P.E.D. ?

- Develop an effective communication system between parents and law enforcement.
- Prevent death and injury to young drivers and other motorists by actively involving parents at the outset of their children's driving careers

Who is involved?

- **Parents VOLUNTARILY** register their vehicles,
- **Sheriff's Deputies** record the stop and, notification is made via mail to the parents
 - **Notification** includes
 - Time and location of stop
 - Driver's name and the # of passengers
 - Traffic tickets issued (if any)

How to register

- Call the Ontario County Sheriff's Office
 - 1-800-394-4560
- Fill out an application and submit by mail.
- Fill out the on-line application at www.co.ontario.ny.us/sheriff/stopped.pdf
 - Submit via e-mail or
 - Print the form and mail it in



Costs involved

- Individual agency costs are minimal
 - Printing brochures and stickers
 - Maintaining the database