

"Three years ago my special needs son wandered off at Universal Studios in Florida, and it was one of the worst days of my life. It took forever to find him and as a result I was afraid to go anywhere with him. Now that we are part of Project Lifesaver, we are traveling and living life again."

- Nancy Valley

"Project Lifesaver is a tremendous asset to the citizens of Brunswick County; the Sheriff's Office is dedicated to finding missing loved ones by using all resources available. I am very proud of the dedication not only of the men and women of the Sheriff's Office, but the members of the Pilot Club, who have worked so hard to make this program a continued success."

- Sheriff John W. Ingram, V

"Project Lifesaver is an exceptional program for Brunswick County, providing peace of mind to families and caregivers affected by the wide range of brain related disorders.

Education and Community Awareness continues to be the cornerstone of Project Lifesaver's success. Our officers are active in presenting information to civic groups, health care providers and to interested groups throughout the communities."

- Pilot Club of South Brunswick Islands

If you would like more information or if you know someone who needs to be enrolled in this program, please contact:

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The PILOT CLUB of SOUTH BRUNSWICK ISLANDS

**Our club works to improve the lives of
those affected by
BRAIN RELATED DISORDERS**

**Donations are greatly appreciated
and accepted through
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"Finding the lost at any cost"



PROJECT LIFESAVER

**A rescue program for individuals
with "Wandering Syndrome,"
A symptom common to many brain
related disorders.**

What is Project Lifesaver?

Project Lifesaver is a national, proactive, electronic tracking program used to assist in locating missing people. The Brunswick County Sheriff's Office offers this service for county residents who are caring for loved ones with Alzheimer's, Dementia or other special needs conditions, such as children with Down Syndrome or Autism Spectrum Disorder, who are likely to wander away from caregivers or have difficulty communicating with rescuers.



A lost child with Autism or Down Syndrome, or an adult wandering due to Dementia, constitutes a critical emergency and presents challenges to officers in search and rescue operations. While we cannot predict when a person will become lost, we can prepare.

We have teams of trained officers and special tracking equipment to help locate missing persons who are enrolled in the Brunswick County Project Lifesaver Program.

***Project Lifesaver Offers
Peace of Mind.***

How does it work?

A personalized state-of-the-art battery powered transmitter, the size of a wrist watch, is worn by the person, and provides a unique radio signal 24 hours a day. If a person is missing, the care-giver immediately notifies 911.



Once the sheriff's office is notified that a person is missing, officers identify the signal from a specialized directional antenna and are able to track the wandering person. Officers use this equipment on foot, in cars and also by air, providing maximum coverage.

Search time has been reduced from hours or days to an average of 30 minutes.

Project Lifesaver is an active system that relies on technology to bring the missing person back home.



Who is eligible?

- ♦ All Brunswick County residents who qualify are eligible for free enrollment
- ♦ Must be diagnosed with Alzheimer's, Dementia, Down Syndrome, Autism, or other brain related disorders
- ♦ Must be currently cared for in the home
- ♦ Caregiver must be available to inspect



What is my next Step?

- 1 Request an application from the Brunswick County Sheriff's Office.
- 2 A deputy will come to the residence to meet with the individual and process the application.
- 3 The deputy will come to the home monthly to service and change the battery.