Arizona HEART Safe Cities

Sponsored by

The Arizona Department of Health Services

Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma System’s

Save Hearts in Arizona Registry and Education

(SHARE) Program

Recognition for Arizona cities/communities that MEET or EXCEED criteria for cardiac arrest preparedness.

Together we can reach the ultimate goal of the SHARE Program:

“For Arizona to have the best survival rate from cardiac emergencies in the world”
Arizona HEART Safe Recognition: HEART Safe is a public health initiative intended to increase survival from sudden cardiac arrest through a system that includes community preparedness. Arizona recognition is a two-year designation for municipalities to meet or exceed the SHARE Program’s criteria for preparedness in the event of a sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) emergency.

Save Hearts in Arizona Registry and Education (SHARE): The SHARE Program was established by the Arizona Department of Health Services Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma System (ADHS-BEMSTS) in partnership with the University of Arizona Sarver Heart Center to promote a comprehensive, standardized system of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest care throughout the state, encompassing all “links” in the “chain of survival.” SHARE wants your community to be prepared if someone suddenly collapses and is unresponsive. SHARE collects and analyzes data related to all aspects of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest care. We collect information on Hands-Only CPR training, Automated External Defibrillator (AED) uses, EMS response, and post-resuscitation care in hospitals to improve survival rates from SCA.

Help us strengthen the bystander link in the chain of survival: Over 1200 Arizona lives have been saved since the SHARE Program began in 2004. Strengthening the “chain of survival” includes a campaign to increase public awareness of SCA and encourage quick bystander action: alerting the 911 system and performing immediate uninterrupted chest compressions. AEDs must be available to ensure rapid defibrillation. The Arizona Department of Health Services wants to recognize Arizona community-based programs that excel in their commitment to improve public health, and have an infrastructure in place for facilitating increased survival from out-of-hospital cardiac arrest.

Criteria to be recognized as a HEART Safe City/Community:

- Have a campaign to increase public awareness of SCA and encourage bystander intervention.
- Dispatchers provide pre-arrival CPR instructions.
- CPR classes are offered on a regular basis.
- Have AEDs available in high-traffic public areas, such as shopping centers, malls, sporting arenas, schools, municipal buildings, and airports. AEDs are registered with the SHARE Program, and maintained according to manufacturer recommendations. In addition, after an AED is used, a written report is submitted to the ADHS-BEMSTS, per Arizona Statute 36-2262.
- EMS is participating in SHARE by submitting cardiac arrest data.
- At least one area hospital is recognized as a Cardiac Receiving or Referral Center.

If you have all of the above criteria in place, and want to commit to and be recognized under the HEART Safe Cities program, please complete the application on the next page. Thank you for your commitment to our citizens!
**SHARE PROGRAM HEART Safe City Recognition Application**

To obtain *HEART Safe* recognition, please complete this application.

CHECK ONE: Original application ☐   Renewal application ☐   Date: 

Official Name:

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<th>City/Community:</th>
<th>School District(s): (if applicable)</th>
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Administration Address (street, city, zip code)

Community Partner filling out form: EMS/FIRE/POLICE/HOSPITAL

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Address: (If different from above)

Name of Fire District or Department personnel supporting Community programs (if different from person filling out application).

**Public Access Automated External Defibrillator Program (AED):**

- ☐ AEDs are in schools in the City/Community.
- ☐ AEDs in the City/Community are registered with SHARE. [https://aed.share.arizona.edu/](https://aed.share.arizona.edu/)
- ☐ AEDs are maintained according to manufacturer’s recommendations and are accessible in public places.
- ☐ Per Arizona Revised Statute 36-2262, an AED use will be reported to the Arizona Department of Health Services’ Bureau of EMS & Trauma System within 5 business days.

**Training Program:**

- ☐ CPR/AED training programs are offered.

**EMS:**

- ☐ EMS agencies in City/ Community submit cardiac arrest data to the SHARE Program.
- ☐ Dispatchers provide pre-arrival CPR instructions.

**Hospitals:**

Name of area hospital(s) recognized as Cardiac Receiving/Referral Centers:

**HEART Safe designation is valid for 2 years.**

A renewal application must be submitted to maintain your designation.

Send this application via email to Carol Gibbs: cgibbs@shc.arizona.edu.

Thank you for helping make Arizona *HEART Safe*