On April 2, 2011, Mr. Thomas H. collapsed at the Apache Junction Walmart Pharmacy. Though not a witness to Mr. H.’s collapse, Mr. Mike H. saw him on the floor and immediately began CPR. Mike H. continued CPR until the AJ Fire crew of Captain Amy Brooks, Engineer John Christenson, Firefighter/paramedics Dan McKinney and Ruben Briones arrived.

Dispatchers from AJPD followed-up with the hospital that afternoon regarding the patient's condition. The hospital staff informed the dispatcher that the patient was in stable condition and mentioned it was the life-saving efforts initiated by Mr. Mike H. that contributed to this. Thomas H. had suffered a Sudden Cardiac Death (SCD) and now has a pacemaker and a defibrillator.

Apache Junction Fire District and Apache Junction Police Department would like to extend a huge “thank you” for recognizing the need for CPR and immediately moving into action. Both agencies would also like to thank the law enforcement and fire service members for their roles in delivering a viable patient to the hospital.