



# Law Enforcement Today with Sheriff Toulon

# Conversation Card Project Lifesaver

Do you or someone you know care for a loved one with cognitive impairments that may cause them to wander? If so, Project Lifesaver can provide some peace of mind.

Project Lifesaver is a program that combines technology and specially trained Sheriff's Deputies to locate individuals who have wandered away. Project Lifesaver clients wear a "watch-type" wristband transmitter (worn on the wrist, ankle or as a necklace), which emits a tracking signal. When a caregiver calls the Suffolk County Sheriff's Office Project Lifesaver line to report that a client has gone missing, a search team responds to the wanderer's area. Most clients are found in less than 30 minutes.

There is a one-time cost of approximately \$300 (plus tax and shipping) for the transmitter, tester, battery and wristband strap. Several non-profit agencies have established grants to help families with financial hardships cover the cost.

Applications can be requested by calling 631-852-3003. A Sheriff's Deputy will then meet with a family member to ascertain eligibility and assist with the necessary paperwork and instructions.

