

Smarter Water Watcher™

An Emergency Management Training and Education Program



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Also, educational videos in multiple languages, website pages, and educational outreach material for agencies.



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PLACE

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PROMOTION

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Private Companies
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Must be a break-away lanyard. Can have advertising opportunity



Clipboard not included – but 8x10 inch laminated sheet (waterproof) is included and has smart device (cell phone) “landing pad” on one side and basic instructions on the other. Phone should be left near the pool, but not (that) near the “watcher”.

The Social Reengineering needed is to have people temporarily trade their smart phones or devices for the whistle – so they do not get distracted from watching people in the water.

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- Collaborate with Amazon, Staples, UPS, FedEx, etc. to deliver to homes for free
 - Maybe they sell the clipboard and/or clear box
 - Same for other retailers and distribution points to the public
- Collaborate with pool vendors and manufacturers to include Water Watcher material in their production/shipping and/or marketing and follow-up customer service
- Collaborate with swimming pool manufacturing associations, to further awareness and offerings

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- Plan where the water watcher will be, and where their cell phone will be located, too. Others will probably need to call for help, while the watcher responds.
- Expand program into outdoor pool-based “panic button” for home security systems – alternative for those who do not have phones outside by pool/open water area
- Align with NGOs and For-Profits who offer lifeguard services for hire at private residences

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- Numerous spots (lanyard, whistle, placard, etc.) for marketing of any corporate or organizational name/logo
- Alternative language versions of placard can also have alternative sponsors and distribution systems
- Cross-collaboration with water safety non-profit organizations (YMCAs, Red Cross, Stew Leonard III Water Safety Foundation, etc.)

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- Whole-of-Community effort
- What is key is that this has to be free (including liability-free) for all involved
- Common platform, merchandising, messaging, etc. Equitable distribution is key, too.

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Home Security and
Virtual Assistance
(SimpliSafe, Nest,
Alexa, Siri, Medical
Alert Systems, etc.)
Interfaces and
Protocols

Smart Phone
Features

Using an Echo Connect to call 911

