



SAVE A LIFE WITH AN AED

Mexico First United Methodist Church will be conducting a Capital Campaign to raise money to purchase an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) for our facility. As a church, we are committed to not only the spiritual health but the physical well-being of our congregation and community.

Key Reasons why a church should have an AED even if not mandated:

Safety of Congregation: Emergencies can happen at any time, and cardiac arrest can strike suddenly and without warning. Having an AED on your church property can significantly increase the chances of saving a life in case of SCA, providing critical medical assistance to a member of your congregation in need.

Immediate Response: Time is of the essence during a cardiac arrest, and every second counts. AEDs are designed to be used by non-medical personnel and can provide a life-saving electric shock within seconds, increasing the chances of survival until professional medical help arrives.

Elderly Congregants: Many churches have elderly members who may be at a higher risk of experiencing a heart attack or sudden cardiac arrest. Having an AED on your church property can be especially crucial in providing timely assistance to this vulnerable population and potentially saving their lives.

Public Outreach: Churches often host community events and gatherings, and having an AED on the property can demonstrate a commitment to public safety. It can also be used during events to provide medical assistance to anyone in need, extending the impact beyond the church congregation.

Contributions can be made by either check or cash – please indicate that contribution is for the AED.

MYTH:

I don't need to use an AED if I perform CPR.

FACT:

Wrong! Immediate CPR is very important, but someone suffering from sudden cardiac arrest needs an electric shock from an AED to survive.

In A Heartbeat Foundation