TOWN COUNCIL – AGENDA REQUEST FORM

THIS FORM WILL BECOME PART OF THE BACKGROUND INFORMATION USED BY THE COUNCIL AND PUBLIC

Please submit Agenda Request Form, **including back up information**, 8 days prior to the requested meeting date. **Public Hearing requests must be submitted 20 days prior to the requested meeting date to meet publication deadlines** (exceptions may be authorized by the Town Manager, Chairman/Vice Chair).

MEETING INFORMATION

Date Submitted: 5/05/15 — Date of Meeting: 6/11/15

Submitted by: Michael Currier — Time Required: 15 min

Department: Fire/Emergency Mgt. — Background Info. Supplied: Yes ☒ No ☐

Speakers: Chief Michael Currier, FF Paramedic Jeromy Penerian

CATEGORY OF BUSINESS (PLEASE PLACE AN "X" IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX)

Appointment:	☐	Recognition/Resignation/Retirement:	☐
Public Hearing:	☐	Old Business:	☐
New Business:	☒	Consent Agenda:	☐
Nonpublic:	☐	Other:	☐

TITLE OF ITEM

Adoption of a Heart-safe Community Initiative

DESCRIPTION OF ITEM

See attached Memorandum

REFERENCE (IF KNOWN)

RSA: — Warrant Article:

Charter Article: — Town Meeting:

Other: — N/A:

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED (PLEASE PLACE AN "X" IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX)

Projector:	☒	Grant Requirements:	☐
Easel:	☐	Joint Meeting:	☐
Special Seating:	☐	Other:	☐
Laptop:	☒	None:	☒

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APPROVAL

Town Manager: Yes ☐ No ☐ — Chair/Vice Chair: Yes ☐ No ☐

Hold for Meeting Date:

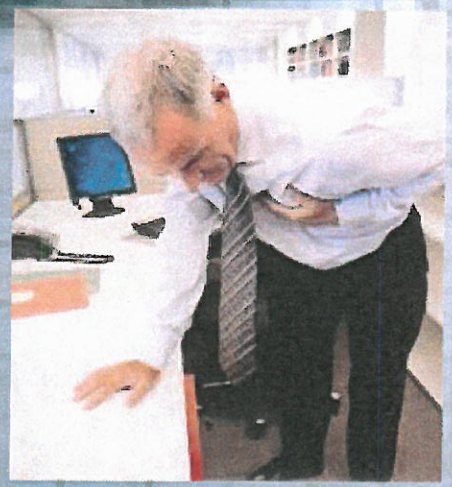
New Hampshire Heartsafe Community Initiative

HEARTSafe COMMUNITIES

- A designation given to communities throughout the State of New Hampshire for meeting goals in:
  - CPR/AED training
  - AED placement
  - ALS response levels

Why Should Merrimack become a HEARTSafe Community?

- To strengthen the chain of survival for victims of cardiac arrest by focusing on training members of the community in CPR and AED use.

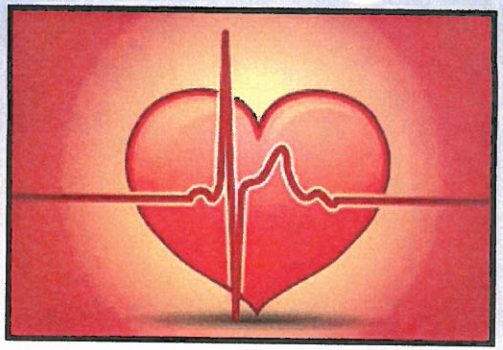


Learn CPR Save Lives

How can Merrimack become a HEARTSafe Community?

- By meeting a standard set by the State of New Hampshire for:
  - **CPR/AED training (20 classes/year)**
  - **Placement of AED's throughout town (10 minimum)**
  - **AED located in each school w/ AED trained personnel and a written CPR/AED Emergency Response Plan**
  - **All EMS First Response designated vehicles (Fire Apparatus, Police Vehicles) are equipped with AED's and CPR/AED trained personnel.**
  - **Advanced Life Support (ALS) Personnel (Advanced EMT or Paramedic) dispatched to all suspected cardiac emergencies.**
  - **Evaluation process to assess and improve the chain of survival.**

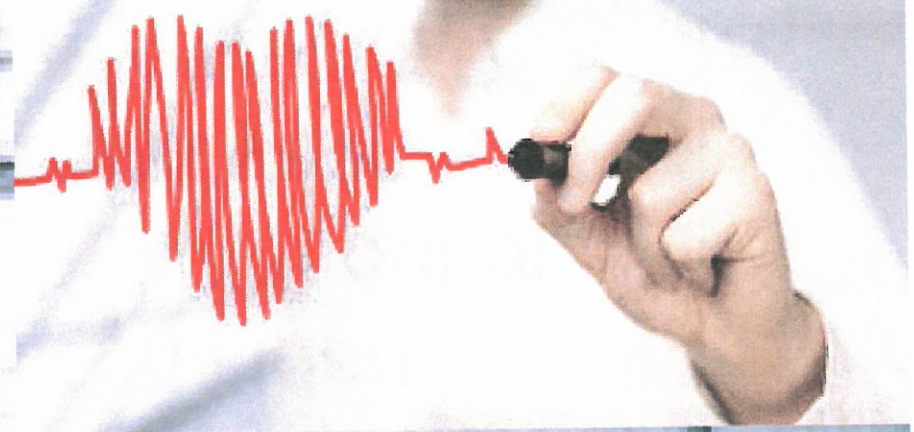
Cardiac Arrest Statistics:



- According to the American Heart Association there are 383,000 out of hospital cardiac arrests per year
- Of those 383,000 only 8% survive (30,640)
- When CPR/AED is given to the patient immediately by bystanders it can DOUBLE or TRIPLE the survival rate.

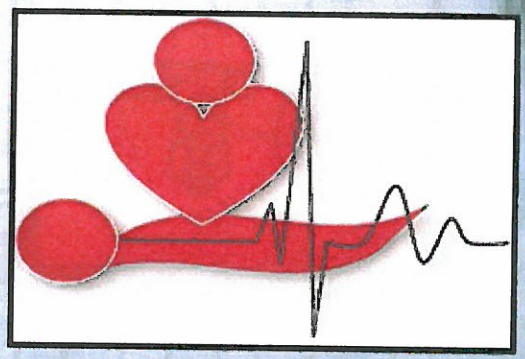
Cardiac Arrest Statistics (cont):

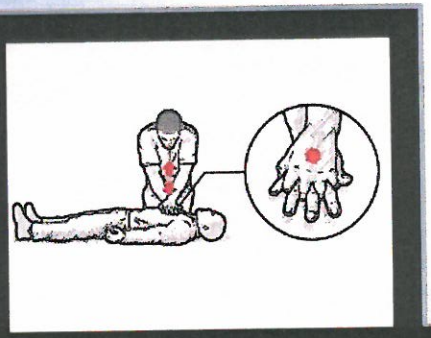
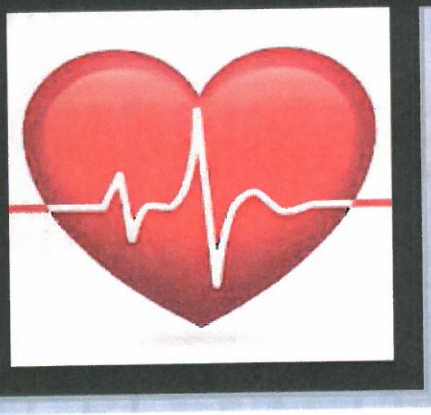
- Only 32% of cardiac arrest victims receive bystander CPR
- Only 2% of cardiac arrest victims receive bystander AED



What do we want to accomplish?

- By offering CPR/AED training to the public, we hope to increase the amount of bystanders willing to do CPR and use an AED.
- By accomplishing these goals we will SAVE LIVES!



Let's join these communities that are **HEART**Safe.

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