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OSHKOSH, WI (April 23, 2021): The Oshkosh Police Department is happy to announce that the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office has joined the Oshkosh Police Department's Project Lifesaver Program as an associate member agency. This now enables coverage of Project Lifesaver County wide.

The Oshkosh Police Department launched Project Lifesaver on April 6, 2017.

The mission of Project Lifesaver is bringing your loved ones home. It is a radio tracking system designed for people with diagnoses that involve a wandering risk such as Dementia, Alzheimer's, Autism and Down Syndrome. The client wears a transmitter on his or her ankle that emits a radio signal once every second, 24 hours a day. Each transmitter emits a unique radio frequency.

If the client wanders and is missing, the caregiver calls the Oshkosh Police Department. We deploy specially trained electronic search specialists to the area the client was last seen and begin searching using radio receivers. These radio receivers can detect the signal for up to a mile and the ground and five to seven miles in the air.

For more information about this program, please contact Sgt Todd Wrage from the Oshkosh Police Department at (920) 236-5757.