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**PROJECT LIFESAVER**  
**Technology Used To Locate Missing At-Risk Teen**

Since May 25, 2004, members of the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office have been trained to deploy the transmit/receive search technology available through Project Lifesaver. Project Lifesaver is an innovative program, which utilizes state-of-the-art technology to effectively locate individuals suffering from Alzheimer's Disease, Downs Syndrome, Autism or other related challenges, who may wander from their homes.

On Saturday, September 18, 2004, at about 10:50 A.M., the Englewood Police Department was called to the area of 4100 South Broadway to investigate a missing 16 year-old male who has Downs Syndrome. The teen, previously fitted with a Project Lifesaver transmitter bracelet, wandered from family members. Members of the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office, trained in Project Lifesaver, provided assistance to the Englewood Police Department. The missing teen was safely located within ten minutes of deploying the Project Lifesaver technology.

This is the first Project Lifesaver locate conducted by the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office, since obtaining the critical search and rescue technology. "The successful and quick locate clearly demonstrates the effectiveness and efficiency of having Project Lifesaver available to our community. Without the availability of the Project Lifesaver technology, this type of search could have lasted for many hours and would have required the use of significant public safety resources", said Sheriff Grayson Robinson.

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