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## Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department **NEWSLETTER**

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## PulsePoint

Are you willing to save a life today? Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) is one of the leading causes of preventable deaths in the U.S. that is responsible for more than 1,000 deaths a day and 424,000 incidents per year. It can strike anyone, anywhere, anytime. Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) administered immediately after a cardiac arrest can potentially double or triple the victim's chance of survival, but less than half of the victims receive that immediate help.

As a Deputy Sheriff, you are trained in CPR and are willing to help in an emergency situation. If only you knew about the SCA event near you, you could help in that situation. Now there is a way for you to know and possibly save someone's life.

To aid cardiac arrest victims quickly, the Los Angeles County Fire Department, The PulsePoint Foundation, and The Wireless Foundation are making the PulsePoint app available in the Los Angeles County area. The PulsePoint app will alert registered CPR-trained deputies when a sudden cardiac arrest occurs in a public place in your immediate vicinity. Informed at the same time as emergency responders, users are given detailed instructions, including the location of automatic external defibrillators (AEDs) nearby.

The PulsePoint app and PulsePoint AED apps are available on Android and iOS (Apple).

For more information and to download the PulsePoint app, go to the PulsePoint website at <a href="http://www.pulsepoint.org">http://www.pulsepoint.org</a>

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