

Lifesaving Awards



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Lifeguard Duo Recognized for Lifesaving Actions in the Georgia Region

When a patron lost consciousness at the Welcome All Recreation Center pool, lifeguards Elisha Bashir and Desmond Montford went to work. Elisha jumped in to remove the patron from the pool, then he and Desmond began CPR, continuing until EMS arrived. Greater Atlanta Executive Director Terri L. Badour presented the Red Cross Lifesaving Award last month. See the Facebook post [here](#).



Texas Gulf Coast Region Makes Awards to Two Professional Responders

This past April, Hannah Shaffer and Kristofer Jones of the Cypress Independent School District called on their Red Cross training to save the life of a student-athlete who experienced a seizure in the pool during a water polo game. They pulled her out, checked for vitals and moved her to a private location for recovery. For this heroic and lifesaving action, Hannah and Kristofer each received the Red Cross Lifesaving Award for Professional Responders in a ceremony at the Red Cross office in Houston. View the [news story](#) for details.



Daughter Saves Father's Life in the Greater New York Region

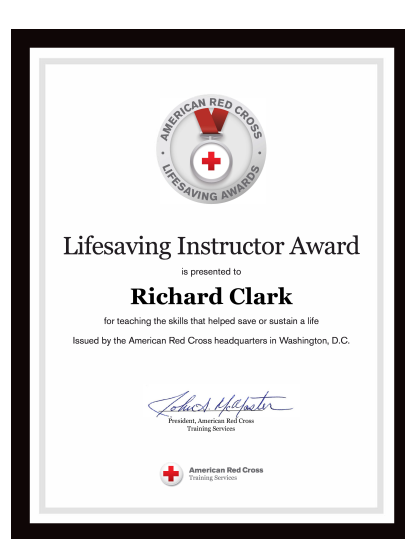
When Madison Engel's father collapsed in his driveway en route to the cardiologist, he was blessed to have his daughter working from home that day. Walking past the front door, she observed him fall to the ground in a cardiac arrest. She called 911, then raced out to perform CPR on her dad, continuing for seven minutes until EMS arrived. The next morning, hospital personnel told the family that Madison's quick actions had saved his life. Read more details and see additional photos in the [news story](#).



Instructor Spotlight

Richard Clark

Each month we highlight Instructors whose student(s) used their lifesaving training to save or sustain a life. This month we recognize Richard Clark, an Instructor at the Rescue Mission Alliance in the Eastern New York region. In August, 10 of Richard's students were honored for using their First Aid/CPR/AED training for save the lives of multiple residents in their care.



Lifesaving Awards Vault

From the vault of the Baxter Bulletin (Mountain Home, Arkansas), December 12, 1985

Jack Wilson, president of the Baxter County Chapter of the American Red Cross, presented the Certificate of Merit to local citizens who, earlier that year in two separate incidents, used their Red Cross training to save two lives.



Jack Wilson (at left in both photos above), resident engineer for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and president of the Baxter County Chapter of the American Red Cross, presented Philip M. Hahn (in photo at left) of Mountain Home and Ron Sallee (in photo at right) of Whiteville each with the Red Cross certificate of merit. Bulletin/Johansen

- On February 27, 1985, Philip Hahn responded to an intercom announcement at a bowling alley for someone who knew CPR. He immediately left his league team and began two-person CPR on an unresponsive bowler. Philip handled rescue breathing while the other responder, a high school student who the Red Cross has not been able to identify, performed compressions.
- In August 1984, Ranger Ron Sallee was chatting on the dock of Bull Shoals Lake when he heard a splash. A 7-year-old boy had fallen, coming up for air once before starting to sink again. Ron remembered being trained by the Red Cross to "stay and throw, don't go." With this in mind, he decided not to jump into the water, but rather get down on his hands and knees so he could reach out, grab the boy and pull him up onto the dock.



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Saving Lives Starts Here

If you or someone you know has used **skills** and **knowledge** learned in a Red Cross Training Services course to help save or sustain the life of another individual, visit [LifesavingAwards.org](#) to nominate them.

Want to see if you have a local hero in your area? Take a look at our [map](#).

Get Inspired!

Whether you're a professional responder or just want to learn how to be prepared when moments matter, the Red Cross has a course for you. More than 4.6 million people are trained in Red Cross lifesaving programs every year. Trust us to deliver unmatched lifesaving training and supplies to your business, organization, friends or family. Visit us at [redcross.org/training](#).