

Lifesaving Awards



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Inspiring Stories by Region

Heroic Teamwork on the Green Saves a Life in the Northern Ohio Region

Two golf course workers took swift, courageous action that helped save an 83 year old man who collapsed while playing golf. Greenskeeper Glenn Sabruno discovered the man unresponsive and immediately sought help. Within minutes, Scott Kayla arrived, followed by Park Ranger Aleksander Crisler. The trio assessed the situation and began CPR. When the AED arrived, they delivered a lifesaving shock and continued compressions until firefighters took over. Thanks to their teamwork, calm demeanor and training in Red Cross Adult and Child First Aid/CPR/AED, the man survived. Their actions exemplify the power of preparedness and the impact of stepping up when every second matters. For this, Glenn and Scott were honored with Certificates of Merit while Ranger Crisler received the Lifesaving Award for Professional Responders. To feel the full impact of this incredible lifesaving story, visit the region's [Facebook page](#) and see the extraordinary difference ordinary people can make.



L to R: Glenn Sabruno and Scott Kayla

When a Child Needed Help, Training Made All the Difference in the Tennessee Region

Delaney Kane, a teacher at a Tennessee preschool, turned a frightening moment into a lifesaving outcome, thanks to her Red Cross Adult and Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED training with Asthma and Quick relief Medication Administration, Anaphylaxis and Epinephrine Auto injector Administration. During lunch, Delaney noticed a three year old boy was suddenly silent, in distress and turning blue. Staying calm, she reassured him that she was going to help and immediately administered back blows to clear the obstruction. On the third attempt, a piece of strawberry dislodged, restored his airway and helped him breathe again. For her swift, confident response that turned an emergency into a lifesaving outcome, Delaney received the Lifesaving Award for Professional Responders. You can relive this lifesaving moment – and be inspired by many more – by visiting the region's [Instagram page](#).



Delaney Kane is surrounded by a team from the Red Cross Tennessee region, including her instructor.

Determined Volunteer Firefighter Becomes a Lifesaver in a Moment of Crisis in the Northern California Coastal Region

Twenty year old off-duty volunteer firefighter Vincent Hayes demonstrated extraordinary courage when he saved a man's life at Disneyland. While boarding a ride, he noticed a commotion and swiftly sprang into action. Finding a man unconscious, pulseless and not breathing, Vincent coordinated bystanders, directed staff to call for help and took turns with another bystander in performing CPR. When an AED arrived, he applied it immediately and followed its instructions. The man's pulse returned before emergency crews arrived and took over. As a result of his determined response, Vincent was awarded the Certificate of Extraordinary Personal Action. This inspiring reminder shows how decisive action can turn ordinary moment into a lifesaving one. For the full story, visit the region's [news page](#), for a powerful account of this remarkable lifesaving rescue.



Vincent Hayes with his CEPA Award

Instructor Spotlight

Robert Benoun

Each month we highlight an Instructor whose student(s) have used their Red Cross lifesaving training to save or sustain a life. This month we recognize Robert Benoun, whose student Delaney Kane was profiled in the second story above. Delaney, a preschool teacher, recognized that a little boy in the school cafeteria was choking. She administered back blows that successfully dislodged the food item blocking the child's airway. There's no doubt the skills Robert taught Delaney in Red Cross Adult and Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED with Asthma and Quick-relief Medication Administration, Anaphylaxis and Epinephrine Auto-injector Administration, helped save this child's life.



We extend our thanks to Robert for providing the quality training that allowed his student to take action when it mattered most.

Lifesaving Awards Vault

From the vault of the Daily Ledger (Canton, OH), November 7, 1978

On this date in history, Western Illinois University Police Officer Kent Pierce was nominated for a Red Cross Lifesaving award for his efforts responding to the scene of a motorcycle-car accident. The motorcyclist was unconscious and one foot was completely severed, causing profuse bleeding. Officer Pierce applied direct pressure to the wound, saying "My hands were all I had to work with." He held pressure for 15 minutes until an ambulance arrived and transported the motorcyclist to the hospital. The motorcyclist survived his injuries and went on to pursue a career in law enforcement.

**Pierce
nominated
for award**



Nominate.



Recognize.



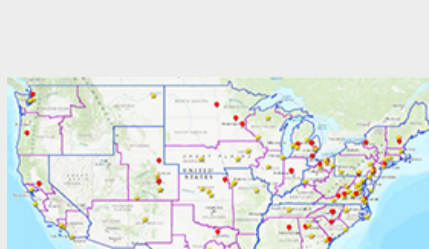
Inspire.

Saving Lives Starts Here

If you or someone you know has used **skills** and **knowledge** learned in an American Red Cross Training Services course to help save or sustain a life, visit [LifesavingAwards.org](#) to nominate, recognize or be inspired.

Interactive Map of the Lifesaving Awards

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



Get Inspired!

March is Red Cross Month, and we recognize that it's critical to know what to do when a life-threatening emergency occurs. The Red Cross Until Help Arrives course, developed in collaboration with the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP), will educate and empower you to take action to provide lifesaving care when you are the first on the scene during an emergency. This 90-minute online course is available for any non-certification needs – read about it and get started [here](#).