



## Community AED Program

### Eligibility requirements for applicants:

- Organization must have a primary location in one of the following Illinois cities or towns where Prairie Cardiovascular operates a hub or outreach clinic: Anna, Arthur, Belleville, Benton, Breese, Carbondale, Carlinville, Carrollton, Chester, Clinton, Decatur, DuQuoin, Edwardsville, Effingham, Flora, Gillespie, Greenville, Harrisburg, Herrin, Highland, Hillsboro, Jacksonville, Litchfield, Macomb, Marion, Maryville, Mattoon, Murphysboro, O'Fallon, Pana, Pinckneyville, Pittsfield, Rushville, Salem, Shelbyville, Sparta, Springfield, Sullivan, Swansea, Taylorville, Vandalia, and West Frankfort.
- Organization must provide 501(c)(3) determination, social service agency verification, or proof the requesting entity is who they say they are such as a church or school.
- Provide data regarding financial need and how many people will potentially benefit from the utilization of the machine (community census, congregation, staff/visitors, etc.).
- Agree to participate in mandatory training provided by a Prairie representative for both how to use the equipment and Hands Only CPR. According to Illinois AED statutes and regulations, an AED acquirer must take reasonable measures to ensure that any person considered to be an anticipated AED user receives CPR/AED training.
- Agree to assign a representative within the requesting organization who is responsible for regular maintenance of the equipment and can provide a maintenance log document when requested. According to Illinois AED statutes and regulations, an AED must be maintained and tested according to the manufacturer's guidelines. AEDs must be registered with an agent of the local EMS system and the manufacturer.
- Agree to cover the replacement costs associated with the equipment such as full replacement of the machine, maintenance costs, pads, etc. (Potential cost requirements are pad replacement every two years between \$100-150, battery replacement every four years between \$100-300, and certified CPR training. Certified CPR training is available through the American Heart Association or American Red Cross.)
- Identify a readily accessible, visible, and high-traffic location where the device will be stored and where signage can be placed to recognize Prairie and the donor(s) for the donation of the device. Placement must ensure a response within 3 minutes.
- Participate in a donation presentation where photographs, video and/or audio may be obtained for publicity purposes.

- Applicants located in remote areas with limited access to EMS who work with a high volume of people, employees, and visitors and participate in high-risk activities such as but not limited to recreational areas, warehouses, and loading docks will be considered top priority.

Organizations that meet the above criteria may apply here. Applications will be sent to the Prairie Heart Foundation, and they will be reviewed by the AED program committee. In exceptional cases, applicants may be awarded no more than 2 AED machines. Census and potential user data will be utilized to make those decisions. Best practice will be to award 1 AED machine per organization. Prairie Heart Foundation will contact applicants to let them know if their request was approved or denied within 2 weeks of receipt of the application.

Approved applicants receive the Zoll AED Plus with Real CPR Help®, real-time CPR feedback to help rescuers save a life. While only half of all sudden cardiac arrest victims will require shock, 100% will need critical and quality CPR. Real CPR guides the user every step of the way, both telling and showing the user what to do. In addition, all approved applicants will receive AED setup, inspection tags and a 1-year license for each machine.

For questions regarding this program, please contact:

Brandy Grove  
Manager of Philanthropy  
Prairie Heart Foundation  
217-814-5177  
[Brandy.grove@hshs.org](mailto:Brandy.grove@hshs.org)