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# **HeartSafe School Application Packet**

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## THE HEARTSAFE FOUNDATION APPLICATION: PREFACE

Sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) is the leading cause of death in the United States and the world. More than 350,000 people annually in the US will suffer out-of-hospital cardiac arrest (OHCA) and most victims die unless HeartSafe program initiatives are implemented and followed. Once a proper HeartSafe program is established, survival rates skyrocket and many lives are saved that otherwise would have been lost. SCA affects any age, any gender and any race. Unlike many other medical conditions, survival from SCA depends on immediate intervention by bystanders or designated first responders on scene; immediately performing at least hands only Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) on the affected person and using an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) as soon as possible.

The HeartSafe Foundation has been established to help further the cause of setting up proper HeartSafe programs that improve SCA survival rates and prevent SCA-related deaths. HeartSafe programs support the “cardiac chain of survival” reinforced by the American Heart Association and encourage communities to work toward early recognition and response for any SCA-related event. The Foundation is nationally focused but has a global and unlimited reach. The HeartSafe Foundation program designation applications exist for communities, zones, schools or campuses, workplaces and / or hospitals. The HeartSafe Foundation evaluation & review system uses the best established practice standards and provides a common ground for rating or scoring HeartSafe programs globally. The goal of The HeartSafe Foundation is to allow for flexibility in the HeartSafe program to meet the local needs of the applicant, region or area, yet ensure core focus on important categories known to improve SCA survival rates.

**This application will help facilitate and document collaboration with community partners and organizations that will impact and improve SCA survival rates. This application serves to promote your HeartSafe program achievements, development, progression and best practices while showcasing your HeartSafe designation certification and rating.**

## HeartSafe Designation & Rating System - HeartSafe School

A HeartSafe program's rating and designation will be calculated using the following focused assessment criteria and five program categories.

Each of the focus areas below earn 1 heart, based upon information provided. Any HeartSafe program can earn up to 5 hearts. The number of accumulated hearts will determine the level of rating the program achieves. HeartSafe designations can change over time and be upgraded upon request with an application resubmission at any time if they are assigned lower than a 5 heart rating. The rating will be reviewed as needed (if an upgrade is desired) or at least every 3 years once a 5 heart rating is achieved.

# HeartSafe School

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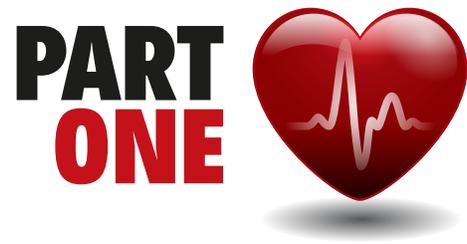


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# HeartSafe School Application

## Part One: HeartSafe School Application

Note: HeartSafe Programs will not have points or rankings taken away for missing fields. Each program is expected to be different to meet the needs of the local community. Provide as much detail as possible that is relevant to your pending, current or soon to be updated HeartSafe Program to ensure an accurate rating will be assigned.

**Please provide:** Additional details at the end of the packet on pages 13 through 16 for any sections needing more detail or attach another sheet with pertinent information.

### SECTION A: HeartSafe School Name / Address

HeartSafe School Name:

HeartSafe Coordinator Main Contact Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

Fax:

Email:

# of Employees:

Geographic Region/# of Locations:

### SECTION B: HeartSafe Marketing / Promotion Contact

Name:

Job title:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

Fax:

Email:

Medical Director Name(if applicable):

License #(if applicable):

Main School Nurse Contact::

Phone #:

Email:

**If additional, please attach another sheet with pertinent information noted above.**

### SECTION C: Nearest Local EMS / ALS Agency Contact

Intermediate

ALS

BLS

Transport \_\_\_\_\_ # Vehicles

AED Equipped

Organization/Agency:

Contact:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

Fax:

Email:

Medical Director Name:

License #:

**If additional, please attach another sheet with pertinent information noted above.**

### SECTION D: Nearest Critical Care Hospital Or Cardiac Specialty Center

Organization/Agency:		Contact:	
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Phone:	Fax:	Email:	
Medical Director Name:		License #:	

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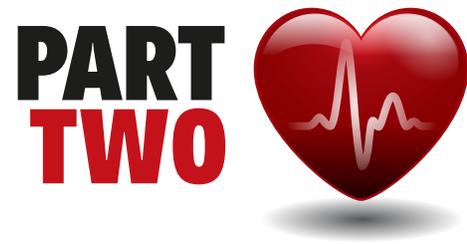
### SECTION E: Training (CPR & AED Training) Contacts

_____ # of Trainers		_____ Estimated CPR/AED Students Annually	
Organization/Agency:		Contact:	
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Phone:	Fax:	Email:	
Medical Director Name(if applicable):		License #(if applicable):	

### SECTION F: AED Dealer

Organization/Agency:		Contact:	
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Phone:	Fax:	Email:	
# AEDs Managed / Sold:		# Years	
Name of AED Program Management Software or medical oversight provider:			
URL web address:			

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# HeartSafe School Application Program Details

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### SECTION A: Quick Facts on HeartSafe School

# of Employees:	Geographic Region/# of Locations:
# of Public (anyone can use) AEDs placed:	# of Private / Mobile (trained responder use) AEDs:
# of Students:	
Expected Future Public & Private AED Placements (please provide details below):	
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### SECTION B: CPR / AED Training Program

1. Does your program have regularly occurring CPR & AED training? Yes  No   
How often annually? \_\_\_\_\_ Number Trained? \_\_\_\_\_ How many Trainers? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What trainers or training centers do you use?  

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3. What are the course names and titles?  

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4. Who is the accreditation agency for the training materials used (American Heart Association, Red Cross, etc)?  

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5. Do you have a plan in place to continue this training or upkeep training renewals for the program (please provide details)?  

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**SECTION D: Cardiovascular / SCA Early Detection**

Please use this space to describe your program’s plan for evaluating and improving cardiovascular health and SCA prevention in the workplace.

1. Does your school have healthy living and wellness initiatives to educate employees on risk factors such as poor nutrition, obesity, smoking, and non-active or other unhealthy lifestyles? Yes  No  Please provide details \_\_\_\_\_

2. Does your school have a smoke free ordinance? Yes  No  (Please attach proof)

3. Do you use mobile technology or any alerting system for employee communication regarding emergencies? Yes  No

Future Plans  What application/software? Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION E: ACLS or ALS & EMS / Dispatch System Response**

Please use this space to describe how your school has improved the 9-1-1/EMS response system and performance related to your HeartSafe program or how you will improve your HeartSafe program in upcoming years.

1. What program improvements have you made? What program improvements are you desiring to make to improve SCA survival rates or time of emergency to 9-1-1 phone call timelines?

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. Do you have a campus student EMS program? Yes  No  Future Plans

3. Does your community use mobile technology for dispatch to bystander CPR community / public events? Yes  No

Future Plans  If no, why? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Does your community EMS or Fire (or other entity) maintain a registry of AEDs? Yes  No  Future Plans

If yes, who? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. Has your school discussed and considered a heat screening program for student athletes? Yes  No  Future Plans

5. Does your medical director support heat screenings?

## SECTION F: Data Tracking / Continuous Quality Improvement

1. What types of technology (registry/software) do you or your connected provider use to analyze data and review results? Who is your data collection provider? What stats do you track for survival and outcomes?

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2. Is the AED data collection shared with local EMS and Hospital/Medical Directors? Yes  No  Future Plans

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3. What percentage or how many out-of-hospital cardiac arrests had an AED applied before first responder EMS arrival? \_\_\_\_\_%

4. What was the average time from 9-1-1 call received to EMS arrival for cardiac arrests in your school? \_\_\_\_\_

5. Do you honor and recognize your survivors and any responders or employees that helped during out-of-hospital cardiac arrests? Yes  No  How? \_\_\_\_\_

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## SECTION G: AFFIRMATION

The HeartSafe program's lead contact should sign and date the following:

I affirm our HeartSafe Program's commitment to the goals of THE HEARTSAFE FOUNDATION and desire to have this application reviewed for proper rating and designation on the date signed below. The application has been filled out to the best of my capabilities, and I understand that I will be permitted to have opportunities to submit further information to be assigned a higher rating and designation at any time after the initial rating is assigned by THE HEARTSAFE FOUNDATION. I understand that my HeartSafe rating may be accessed by other entities searching THE HEARTSAFE FOUNDATION website for my program's designation. If our program is assigned the highest rating allowed, a "Five Heart" program, I understand that we must submit a renewal application every three (3) years to ensure current technology, methods, and processes are being followed for continuous quality improvement of our HeartSafe program. I will allow THE HEARTSAFE FOUNDATION to list my program's rating on the HeartSafe website.

HeartSafe Program Lead Signature:

Date:

Name of Signator:

Title:

Organization/HeartSafe School Program Name:

Phone:

Email:

This application process is a free service provided by The HeartSafe Foundation.

Once a designation and rating have been finalized, your HeartSafe Program will select one of three HeartSafe Foundation approved turnkey school / public relations toolkit packages.









# EXAMPLE HEARTSAFE SCHOOL DESIGNATION WORKSHEET

Date: 10/06/17

Hearts Earned	Categories
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1

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Total:	Comments
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*Congratulations on your successful designation and approval process. The only areas of noted improvement for your program are to hold more school events and improve communication to any employee on AED program details. It was noted that you are moving to new mobile technology, thus improving alerts to employees or responders for faster AED response times and overall AED maintenance.*

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SCHOOL DESIGNATION

HeartSafe School Certificate Number: # _____	Original Date of Designation: Date: _____
HeartSafe Foundation Rating: _____ Hearts	Renewal Date of Designation: Date: _____

A copy of your HeartSafe program’s scoring worksheet will be attached to this designation with any comments and backup documentation for your files.

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Please select your HeartSafe Foundation approved workplace/PR toolkit package (see addendum).