



WHAT IS AN AED?

Grey County has developed a life saving program which makes Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) available in locations throughout the community. These locations include community centres, halls, churches, schools, industrial sites and any other public location where sudden cardiac arrest is possible.



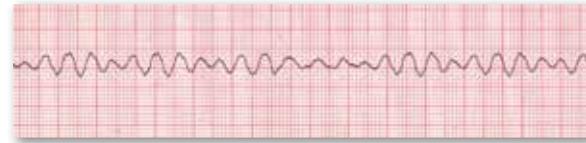
An AED is a small portable unit used to aid a sudden cardiac arrest patient before Paramedics arrive on scene. Once the unit is turned on, it provides simple audio and visual prompts that lead the user through its proper use.

An AED can analyze the electrical activity of the heart to determine if an application of energy or shock would be beneficial. The unit works by stopping the patient's heart momentarily which gives the heart a chance to re-establish a regular rhythm. AEDs are portable, lightweight, durable, cost effective and take minimal amount of training and time to learn how to use.

Onsite AEDs are widely promoted by over 50 heart health organizations including the Heart & Stroke Foundation. Having an AED on site is rapidly becoming a basic standard of emergency care - equivalent to installing smoke alarms.

WHY IS PAD SO IMPORANT?

- 250,000 people die from sudden cardiac arrest every year
- 90% of sudden cardiac arrests occur in public places including the workplace and at home
- Early AED usage can increase the survival rate of sudden cardiac arrest patients by up to 70%



The "Chain of Survival" is only as strong as its weakest link. Each link is as important as the next. If one part of the chain is broken or delayed, the chances of surviving from cardiac arrest decrease significantly. The parts of the chain include: Early Access, Early CPR, Early Defibrillation, Early Transport and Early Advanced Care.



AEDs shorten the length of time between the links in the chain and thus increase survivability.

AEDs are most beneficial in public sites where large groups of people gather, fitness activities occur, or where there are identified high-risk individuals commonly at the site. Willingness of staff to become Targeted AED Site Responders is also a key to the success of a PAD program.

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PUBLIC ACCESS DEFIBRILLATION PROGRAM





GREY COUNTY PUBLIC ACCESS DEFIBRILLATOR SITES

As of the spring of 2014, there were over 100 PAD sites in Grey County including:

Bayshore Community Centre
Ayton Arena
Neustadt Arena
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Durham Arena
Durham Community Centre
Grey Roots Museum
Owen Sound Family YMCA
Flesherton Arena
P&H Centre - Pool
P&H Centre - Arena
Hanover Civic Centre
Hanover Family Centre
Durham Fitness Centre
Grey County Admin Building
Markdale Arena
Shallow Lake Community Centre
Kilsyth Arena
Osprey Arena
Euphrasia Memorial Hall
Maxwell Community Hall
Stothart Hall
Kimberley Hall
Flesherton Kinplex
Meaford Arena
Meaford Hall
Woodford Hall
Chatsworth Arena
Meaford Curling Club
Kemble Arena
Public Offences Building
Desboro Arena
Williamsford Community Centre
L.E. Shore Library
Grey Bruce Health Unit



St. Peter & St. Paul School
Plunge Aquatic Centre
Faith Lutheran Church
Bruce-Grey Catholic School Board
Julie McArthur Regional Rec Centre
Beaver Valley Community Centre
Town of Blue Mountains Admin Bldg
Flesherton Family Practice
Markdale Health Clinic
Notre Dame Catholic School
St. Georges Anglican Church
Grey Highlands Municipal Office
First Christian Reform Church
Spruce Ridge Community School
Beaver Vally Community School
Hanover Heights Community School
Craigleith Ski Club
Optimist Club of Egremont Township
Dundalk Proton Community School
Highpoint Community School
Holland-Chatsworth Central School
Bluewater Curling Club

Durham Curling Club
Meaford Public Library
Blue Dolphin Pool
Southgate Public Library
Southgate Municipal Office
Southgate Senior's Centre
Kiwanis Soccer Complex
Transcontinental RBW Graphics
MacPhail Memorial Elementary School
Owen Sound & North Grey Public Library
Hanover Public Library
Flesherton Public Library
Walter Harris Memorial Library
Silent Valley Park
West Grey Public Library
Durham Town Hall
Centennial Hall
Alexandria Community School
Beavercrest Community School
Derby Public School
Dufferin Elementary School
Egremont Community School
St. Basil's School
Lutheranch
Scenic Caves
Meaford Community School
Normanby Community School
Osprey Community School
Hillcrest School
Sullivan Community School
Sydenham Community School
Holy Family School
Abbeyfield House of Durham
Flesherton Legion
Clarksburg Legion

Participation Lodge
Keady Arena
Dundalk Arena
Thornbury Harbour
Harrison Park
Abbyfield House of Durham
Tomahawk Recreation Complex
Gentle Sheppard Church
Cedarside Baptist Church
Bognor Community Hall
Riverside Community Hall
Walters Falls Community Centre
Dawnview Public School
Bayview Public School
St. Vincent Euphrasia Elementary School
Keppel-Sarawak Elementary School
Ecole St-Dominique Savio
Billy Bishop Airport
Osprey Museum
South Grey Museum
St. Georges Anglican Church
Chatsworth Legion
Township of Chatsworth
Dundalk Memorial Park
Roxy Theatre
Golden Mile Club

