

Life-saving PulsePoint app launched

App alerts CPR-trained users of nearby sudden cardiac arrest emergencies

The Broken Arrow Fire Department (BAFD), with support from Saint Francis Hospital South, have brought a life-saving mobile app to the City of Broken Arrow. PulsePoint is a free app available for both iPhone and Android devices that alerts citizens trained in hands-only cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) when someone in a nearby public place suffers sudden cardiac arrest.

When the City's emergency dispatchers receive a sudden cardiac arrest call, an alert is sent through the app to users within a quarter mile of the event at the same time as emergency responders are dispatched. The app also notifies users of any nearby automated external defibrillators (AED).

Anyone who is trained in CPR is encouraged to download the PulsePoint app free through the Google Play Store or the Apple App Store. Once the app is installed, select the Broken Arrow Fire Department from the agency listings to receive alerts.

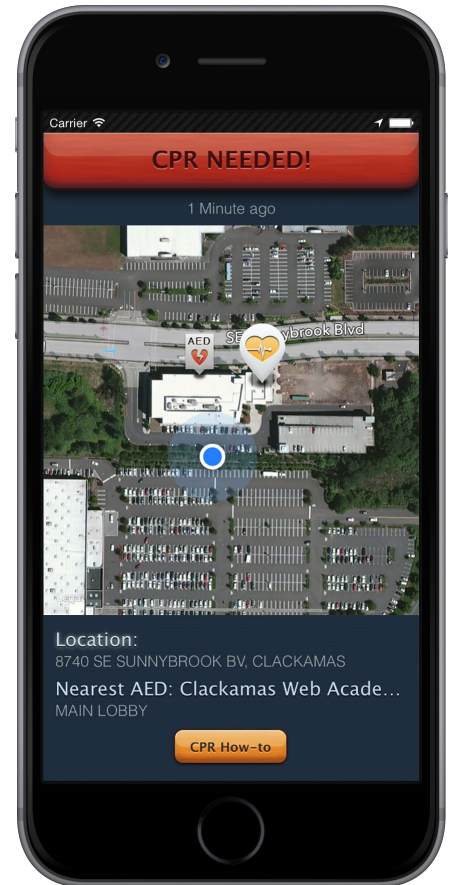
"Sudden cardiac arrest is one of the leading causes of death in the United

States and affects more than 350,000 people each year," said Broken Arrow Fire Chief Jeremy Moore. "The PulsePoint app has been proven to save lives by alerting people who can start CPR before our emergency medical crews arrive. Every second matters when a sudden cardiac arrest occurs."

The American Heart Association estimates that effective hands-only CPR provided immediately after a cardiac emergency can double or triple a person's chance of survival, but only 46 percent of sudden cardiac arrest victims received bystander CPR in 2016; even fewer receive a potentially lifesaving therapeutic shock from a public access AED.

BAFD is the first emergency medical service in the state of Oklahoma to use PulsePoint, which began in California in 2010. PulsePoint is currently active in more than 2,500 cities across the country.

Saint Francis Hospital South provided the funding needed to bring the app to Broken Arrow.



City receives America Recycles Day award

Community Relations Liaison Jennifer Hooks and Youth City Councilor E.J. Hardwick accepted the Green Government Partnership award for the City.



The City of Broken Arrow was named the 2017 America Recycles Day Green Government Partnership award winner in November.

The award is given by the Metropolitan Environmental Trust (The M.e.t.) in recognition of a government agency that has made a significant contribution to recycling in their community.

The City received the award in recognition of the partnership between PepsiCo Recycling, The M.e.t. and the City that puts Pepsi

recycling containers in City-owned spaces. The recycled bottles and cans are collected by City crews and taken to the Broken Arrow M.e.t. site on Elm Place.

The Pepsi bins were first placed at City sites, including parks, community centers and public buildings, in July 2017. Since then, the City has placed 46 bins at 24 locations.

In September alone, 4,400 bottles and cans were collected from these bins.

Holiday trash schedule

There will be no trash service on Monday, Jan 1. Monday's trash service will be picked up on Tuesday, Jan. 2, and Tuesday's trash service will be shifted to Wednesday, Jan. 3. Regular service resumes on Thursday, Jan. 4. The same shift affects the week of Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Jan. 15

Snow Removal Policy

The City of Broken Arrow is tasked with maintaining more than 439 lane miles of roadway during winter weather events. Extra precautions are taken throughout the winter season to ensure roads are safe for traveling.

During snow events, Streets Department crews will clear arterial roadways first as conditions warrant, with consideration for side streets (also known as collector or feeder roads) discussed after arterials are cleared. Neighborhood streets will not be plowed, unless the grade of street(s) exceeds a 10 percent slope. It is important to note that the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) maintains the Broken Arrow Expressway, Old Highway 51 and the Creek Turnpike.

If freezing rain is forecasted, crews will pretreat the roadways with a mixture of sand and salt. Snow plows cannot remove ice or packed snow from roadways. The sand/salt mixture will make ice/packed snow safer to travel

on, but sun and warm temperatures are the only thing that will remove ice. As the ice becomes slush, it can be plowed off the roadway.

If weather conditions deteriorate and the City's refuse trucks are unable to travel on neighborhood streets, regular trash pick-up will be postponed and resume on the next regularly scheduled pickup day.

The City's public information office will provide regular updates on the road situation through the City's website, www.BrokenArrowOK.gov; email alerts; automated phone calls; social media and local media outlets. Visit BrokenArrowOK.gov/alert to sign up for automated phone text or email alerts.

A brochure that includes more information, along with a map of arterial and secondary streets, can be found at BrokenArrowOK.gov/snow.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Ongoing through January 13 — Broken Arrow Soccer Club registration Open to boys and girls ages 3-18. Visit www.bascok.com.

Ongoing through January 31 — Broken Arrow Girls Softball League Spring 2018 registration To register, visit www.bagsl.org.

January 1 — New Year's Day City offices closed. See the holiday trash schedule on Page 1.

January 2 — Broken Arrow City Council 6:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

January 11 — Planning Commission 5:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

January 15 — Martin Luther King Jr. Day City offices closed.

January 16 — Broken Arrow City Council 6:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

January 25 — Planning Commission 5:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

January 26 — Community Bunco Bash 6:00 p.m. dinner, 7 p.m. Bunco, Broken Arrow Senior Center, 1800 S. Main St. \$10 in advance/\$12 at the door. Call 918-259-8377 for details.

February 6 — Broken Arrow City Council 6:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

February 8 — Planning Commission 5:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

February 10 — Daddy Daughter Dance Nienhuis Park Community Center, 3201 N. 9th St.

Ice skating rink returns to The Rose District

The Rose District Plaza will host a holiday ice skating rink until Jan. 7. Hours vary according to the schedule below. Visitors will also find opportunities for holiday shopping. The ice rink is located at 418 S. Main St. in downtown Broken Arrow.

Season:

November 16, 2017 to January 7, 2018

Location:

The Rose District Pavilion
418 S. Main Street

Hours:

November 16-December 19
Monday-Thursday 3-9 p.m.
Friday..... 3-10 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday noon-10 p.m.

Extended Hours:

December 20-January 7

Daily noon-10 p.m.

Holiday Hours:

Christmas Eve: noon-5 p.m.

Christmas Day: noon-10 p.m.

New Year's Eve: noon-10 p.m.

Admission:

General admission
with skate rental \$12
General admission with
military discount\$10
General admission
without skate rental \$8
Children 5 and under \$8
To inquire about group rates, email
info@expressice.com

Skate Sizes:

Skate sizes range from child size 7 to adult size 13.

Did you know? Take your green waste to Tulsa's Mulch Site

With fall leaves piling up in yards and bare tree limbs begging to be trimmed, many Broken Arrow residents may wonder how to get rid of it all.

In summer 2017, the City of Broken Arrow entered an agreement with the City of Tulsa to allow Broken Arrow residents use of Tulsa's Mulch Site free of charge. Simply present a recent utility bill or drivers license showing your Broken Arrow address.

The Mulch Site, located at 2100 N. 145th E. Ave., accepts tree limbs, grass clippings and leaves. Visitors can also pick up firewood. A cutting area is available but you must bring your own saws.

The Mulch Site is open seven days per week, excluding City of Tulsa observed holidays. Hours are 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Veteran benefit counselor available at Military History Center

The Military History Center now has a Veterans Benefit Service Officer available from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. on Wednesdays thanks to the American Legion and DAV.

The service officer can provide

veterans and their families with information regarding services available to them.

For more information, contact Royce Caskey at 918-810-1205 or Royce@okdav.org.