

# City of Mesa AED Program Policy



*The City of Mesa encourages the placement of private sector AEDs and challenges those organizations with AED/PAD programs to have written and effective policy/procedures established.*

## **To be compliant with the City guidelines, an AED Program must have the following components in place:**

- Trained Responders.** Each AED location will designate responders for emergencies. Designated responders should be trained in CPR or Continuous Chest Compressions (CCC) and the use of AEDs.
- Written Policy.** Each AED location will have a written policy outlining the AED program, direction for the use of the AED, and the guidelines for maintenance. Any city policy on AEDs or the use of shall be adhered to and included in the written policy.
- Medical Director.** Each AED location will have a medical director. The Arizona S.H.A.R.E. (Save Hearts in Arizona Registry & Education) Program can provide this medical direction for free. To find out more information on the program, its requirements, and to register your AED; please go to: <http://www.azshare.gov/>
- Registered.** Each AED location will register with the City. Registration will serve as notification to local 911 dispatch. To register your AED with the City, [click here](#).
- Inspections.** Each AED location will conduct regular inspections of their AEDs.
- Maintenance.** Each AED location will have a maintenance schedule and conduct maintenance regularly on the device.
- Records.** Each AED location shall maintain accurate records on inspections, locations, maintenance, usage, and certifications.
- Reporting.** Any use of an AED shall be reported to the Mesa Fire Department EMS division, SHARE, and registered on the City of Mesa website.

## **General Recommendations:**

- Public access to the AED.** The City encourages that each AED be placed in such a location as to make it accessible to anyone during the hours of operation.
- Awareness.** The City encourages awareness campaigns about the AED and its use. The City through its web site has provided an AED Information Poster to help educate the public on the importance and use of AEDs.