



♥ Information About Lifeline Medical Alert Program ♥

Many seniors live alone or have conditions that increase their risk of falling; they and their families may have concerns about their ability to summon help in case of a fall or medical emergency. A medical alert service offers a way to reach help simply by pushing a button on a medical alert device, which is worn as either a pendant or wristband. This service provides peace of mind for seniors and for their family members.

To apply for the Lifeline Medical Alert Program, please complete the application on this website. (This is not an income or age-based program; financial statements are not required.) Upon receipt of a complete application, a Friends Foundation Board member will contact you about opening your account with Lifeline and order the equipment; arrangements with you and your primary contact will be made at your convenience to activate the service in your home.

The Friends Foundation pays the monthly cost to lease the equipment from Lifeline, for as long as the recipient needs the service and remains in the greater Dripping Springs area. A monthly \$15 co-pay is required for some options offered beyond the basic plan. For those who can pay more, donations are gladly accepted and greatly appreciated.

Lifeline clients must agree to wear their device at all times. They (or their designee) must call The Friends Foundation as soon as the equipment is no longer needed, so that the lease can be cancelled and pick-up of the equipment can be arranged. Failure to return the equipment in a timely manner may result in a non-return charge of \$500 by Lifeline.

It's important to understand that while the Medical Alert system increases protection, it doesn't guarantee it. The recipient should use all other safety and medical devices and techniques available for additional protection; including (but not limited to) basic health precautions, and adherence to physicians' directions and recommendations.

The Friends Foundation provides support to the elderly in the greater Dripping Springs area; including the Our Daily Bread Program, Financial Assistance, Lifeline Medical Alert Program, Smoke Alarm Installation & Maintenance, 911 Address Signs, and the Butterflies are Free Program (for more information see www.thefriendsfoundation.org).

Contributions to The Friends Foundation are tax deductible. The Friends Foundation's governance and services are provided by an all-volunteer workforce; donations directly underwrite the cost of services.