

Associated Student Government

University of Arkansas



ASG Senate Resolution No. 2

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A Resolution Supporting the Addition of AED Kits in Residence Halls

- Whereas, Automated External Defibrillators (AED) are used to help individuals experiencing sudden cardiac arrest by analyzing the heart's rhythm and delivering an electrical shock to it, helping it reach an effective rhythm;
- Whereas, In the event of sudden cardiac arrest, the use of an AED can more than double a victim's chance of survival, however, for every minute that passes without using a defibrillator, chances of survival decrease by 7-10%¹;
- Whereas, In May of 2011, the University of Arkansas Facilities Management installed 103 AEDs in 64 campus buildings at a cost of roughly \$1,700 per unit plus installation costs²;
- Whereas, The installation of these AEDs excluded several residence halls including Reid, Hotz, Holcombe/Futrall, Humphreys, Yocum, the Duncan Apartments, and the Maple Hills. Combining the occupancy of these halls, over 3,200 students are left without access to a nearby AED every year;

¹ Go AS;Mozaffarian D;Roger VL;Benjamin EJ;Berry JD;Borden WB;Bravata DM;Dai S;Ford ES;Fox CS;Franco S;Fullerton HJ;Gillespie C;Hailpern SM;Heit JA;Howard VJ;Huffman MD;Kissela BM;Kittner SJ;Lackland DT;Lichtman JH;Lisabeth LD;Magid D;Marcus GM;Marelli A;Ma. "Heart Disease and Stroke Statistics--2013 UPDATE: A Report from the American Heart Association." *Circulation*, U.S. National Library of Medicine, pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/23239837/.

² Voorhies, Steve. "Defibrillators Being Installed in Most Campus Buildings." *University of Arkansas News*, University of Arkansas, 19 May 2011, news.uark.edu/articles/16227/defibrillators-being-installed-in-most-campus-buildings.

Whereas, The installation of AED kits in these buildings will ensure preventable deaths as a result of cardiac arrest are avoided;

Be it therefore resolved: The Associated Student Government Senate supports the addition of 7 new AEDs, one in each residence hall lacking one;

Be it further resolved: New AEDs are to be installed by Facilities Management in strategic locations within each building, stored in alarmed cabinets with adequate signage, and have step-by-step voice instructions for first-time users;

Be it further resolved: The kits will be maintained, inspected, and restocked when deemed necessary by Facilities Management;

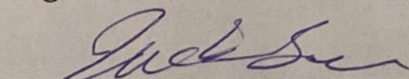
Be it finally resolved: A copy of this legislation be sent to Scott Turley, Associate Vice Chancellor of Facilities, and to Florence Johnson, Assistant Vice Chancellor for University Housing

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Amendments:

Vote Count: Aye 42 Nay 1 Abstentions 1

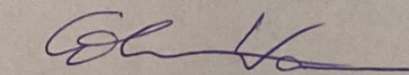
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Jack Switzer, ASG Chair of the Senate

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Coleman Warren, ASG President

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