



American Heart Association Greater Boston Massachusetts Chapter

112 Cypress Street, Brookline, Massachusetts 02146 • 738-4920

August 9, 1976

Dear Chief of Police:

The American Heart Association, Greater Boston Chapter, recognizes that according to Chapter 795, Acts of 1974, all first responders must be trained at the Basic Rescuer level in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) by July, 1977. The American Heart Association is willing to assist you in achieving this goal.

The most efficient means of providing training is through the development of a pyramid of CPR Instructors and Instructor-Trainers within your organization. The American Heart Association will organize and provide courses for potential Instructor-Trainers -- those who will train others as Instructors. The Instructors will then carry out Basic Rescuer Training. (The Instructor-Trainer may be your designated training officer or any other member of your force you feel is appropriate)..

The Greater Boston Chapter will sponsor an all day CPR Instructor-Trainer course on September 30, 1976, at Emerson Hospital in Concord. The registration fee is \$15. The course will be open to any member of your department who is a currently certified CPR Instructor and who will be responsible for training others as Instructors in your agency.

Enclosed you will find one survey form and two CPR Instructor-Trainer course applications. Please complete the survey form and return it to the Greater Boston Chapter with the completed applications for those who wish to be included in the September Instructor-Trainer session (feel free to make additional copies of application forms if needed). From the survey form, we will be able to assess your training needs and recommend an approximate number of people that should be trained in your agency as Instructor-Trainers. We do suggest that those organizations with small numbers of first responders work together with neighboring towns to provide efficient training programs.

We urge you to return the survey forms and applications no later than September 1, 1976. We also request that you share this information with all stations in your department. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Iris Ponzetti, the CPR Coordinator at the Greater Boston Chapter of the American Heart Association, 738-4920. If we do not receive a survey form, we will assume you have already met your training needs.

Sincerely,

Alan H. Goldberg, M.D.
Chairman, Cardiopulmonary
Resuscitation Committee

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Cambridge City Council
City Hall
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

August 10, 1976

Dear City Council Members:

Enclosed you will find a copy of a letter which is being sent to all police and fire departments in the Greater Boston area. As explained in the letter, the American Heart Association is offering assistance to first responders who must, by law, be trained in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) by July of 1977.

The time to train people is becoming short. We urge you to encourage your police and fire department personnel to organize their training programs as quickly and efficiently as possible.

Sincerely,

Alan H. Goldberg, M.D.
Chairman, Cardiopulmonary
Resuscitation Committee

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Comm. from Alan H. Goldberg, Chairman,
Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Comm., American
Heart Assoc., re: to the training programs
for Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation.

In City Council,

September 13, 1976

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*Letter to City Mgr
and Chief of Police*

AND FIRE Dept.

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Manager, Chief of Fire
& Police Departments
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