# **SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST:**

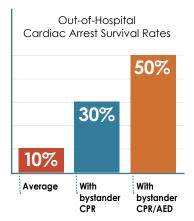
# YOU CAN AVE A LIFE

Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) is a life-threatening emergency that occurs when the heart suddenly stops beating. When SCA happens, the person collapses and doesn't respond or breathe normally. They may gasp or shake as if having a seizure.

# **Sudden Cardiac Arrest IS NOT** the same as a heart attack.

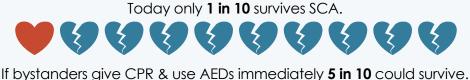
SCA VICTIM:	HEART ATTACK VICTIM:
Unresponsive	• Responsive
Not breathing normally	• Breathing
Needs CPR/AED	Doesn't need CPR/AED

# **BYSTANDER ACTION** SAVES LIVES



# THE SHOCKING FACTS

Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) is a national public health crisis affecting 1,000 people outside hospital settings each day. It strikes people of all ages who may seem to be healthy, even children and teens.









# 7 IN 10 SCAs HAPPEN AT HOME.

You could save the life of someone you love by starting CPR.

# **EVERY SECOND COUNTS**

SCA leads to death in minutes if the person does not get help right away. For every minute that passes, survival odds decrease by 10%.

# CHAIN OF SURVIVAL

Survival from SCA depends on the quick actions of people nearby.



## **Call 911**

If a person is unresponsive and not breathing normally, call 911.

## Start CPR

Push hard and fast in the center of the chest.

## **Use AED**

Use an AFD to restart the heart.

# Response

EMS provides advanced life support and transport to the hospital.

#### Care

Medical team provides integrated post-cardiac arrest care.

# Recovery

Support team addresses the physical, social, and emotional needs of survivors and their families.



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