

LEADS Daily Briefing
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Silver Search Program - Missing Endangered Seniors

On January 1, 2016 Silver Search legislation (20 ILCS 2605/2605-485(e)(1)) was passed in Illinois. Silver Search is a coordinated effort to bring awareness, education, and resources to help find and safely return people with Alzheimer's or dementia who go missing. The Silver Search program wants to bring to light the increasing incidences of people with Alzheimer's or dementia who get lost and ways in which the public can help law enforcement return them home safely.

Criteria

- The person is missing under unexplained or suspicious circumstances.
- The person is believed to be in danger because of age, health, mental or physical disability, environment, weather conditions, or in the company of a potentially dangerous person or some other factor that may expose the person to possible harm or injury.
- Public information is available that could assist in the safe recovery of the person.
- The circumstances do not fit the criteria of an AMBER Alert.

Procedure

Immediately enter the missing person information into LEADS and NCIC using MKE/LEMES (Missing Endangered Senior). If applicable, include vehicle information in the entry and cross reference entries of others involved with a note in the MIS field.

After verifying the criteria, complete the "Endangered Missing Person Advisory" form available on the Illinois AMBER Alert Task Force website www.amberillinois.org or in the LEADS forms section of LEADS 2000 and fax to the Illinois State Police (Springfield Communication Center) for distribution to the media and other approved public outlets wishing to receive notification.

Contact the Help Desk (866/LEADS-00) with questions about the LEADS entry or form completion.

Contact Alzheimer's Association at 800-272-3900 with questions about the Silver Search program or visit www.silversearchillinois.org

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