

The **Take Me Home** program is sponsored by:

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For information and enrollment in the Take Me Home program please contact:

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The **Take Me Home** program allows for the rapid identification and safe return of citizens who are unable to adequately communicate vital information. Individuals with Autism, Down Syndrome, developmental delays or cognitive disabilities may have difficulty communicating their name and address to law enforcement. **Take Me Home** is also intended to assist senior citizens who have dementia or Alzheimer's.

Those who are registered in this program are placed in a database that Deputies can access via radio and laptops in their cruisers. **Take Me Home** is a free and voluntary program for citizens that participate, and all information is kept confidential.



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ENROLLMENT IS EASY

The **Take Me Home** program is a secure database maintained by the Athens County Sheriff's office. The system includes a picture, identified disability, description, and contacts. If a person in the **Take Me Home** program is encountered alone by law enforcement, or is reported missing, the Deputy Sheriff can access the database by name or the person's description to locate their enrollment record. With the information at hand, Law Enforcement can appropriately assist the person.

STEP 1: ENROLLMENT

Enroll the individual in the **Take Me Home** program by filling out the enclosed registration form and either e-mailing a photo or having one taken by our office. For registration information, go to:

www.athenssheriff.com/takemehome.htm

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STEP 2: EMERGENCY

If a registered individual is found alone by law enforcement and needs help, Deputies will search the **Take Me Home** database.

If the registered person is missing, it is never too soon to call 9-1-1 especially if they are disabled. The first hour is critical in finding a lost child. Inform law enforcement that the individual is registered in the **Take Me Home** program.



STEP 3: SAFE

With a match in the **Take Me Home** database, caregivers will be contacted immediately to let them know their loved one has been found.

Take Me Home
is a free service offered to the
citizens of Athens County.