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City of Farmington Hills Earns Designation as a HEARTSafe Community

The City becomes the third Michigan municipality to reach program's highest achievement

FARMINGTON HILLS, Mich. (Aug. 24, 2026) – The City of Farmington Hills is proud to announce its official designation as a HEARTSafe Community, recognizing the City's commitment to improving emergency response and increasing survival rates from sudden cardiac arrest. Farmington Hills has met all 13 HEARTSafe criteria, earning the distinction as one of only three municipalities in Michigan to reach the program's highest achievement.

The designation reflects the City's proactive efforts to expand access to lifesaving tools and training throughout the community. Over the past year, Farmington Hills has trained nearly 15 percent of its population in CPR. More than 140 AED locations have been registered citywide, increasing access to publicly available automated external defibrillators. The City has also expanded CPR and AED training opportunities for residents and staff and strengthened coordination with local first responders and health partners to ensure rapid, effective response during cardiac emergencies.

"This recognition underscores our commitment to keeping residents and visitors safe," said Acting City Manager Karen Mondora. "By investing in widespread preparedness and education, we're making Farmington Hills a community where lifesaving action can happen anywhere, at any time."

As a HEARTSafe Community, Farmington Hills will continue promoting community training opportunities, awareness campaigns and partnerships focused on heart health and emergency readiness. These efforts help ensure that anyone experiencing sudden cardiac arrest has the best possible chance of receiving immediate, lifesaving care before professional responders arrive.

For more information about CPR/AED training opportunities or the City's emergency preparedness programs, please visit www.FHgov.com.

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About the HEARTSafe Communities Program

The HEARTSafe Communities Program, administered by the Citizen CPR Foundation, helps cities and towns strengthen their systems of care for sudden cardiac arrest. Communities assess themselves against thirteen elements that span data collection, public CPR training, telephone CPR, AED access and registration, first-responder defibrillation, high-performance resuscitation, quality improvement, and prevention. Designation recognizes those that reach the program's highest standard across all thirteen.

About the City of Farmington Hills

The City of Farmington Hills is a place where everyone is welcome. Founded in 1973, it is one of the largest communities in Oakland County. Farmington Hills is home to more than 83,000 residents who speak more than 60 languages, and more than 75 Fortune 500 businesses, including multinational corporations like Nissan and Bosch. The City is routinely recognized as one of the safest cities of its size and is known for its extensive amenities, including over 600 acres of parks, 90 athletic fields, six miles of hiking and walking trails, the Farmington Hills Golf Club, and an Ice Arena. Farmington Hills is also home to The Hawk, an award-winning, approximately 270,000-square-foot recreation and arts venue, which includes The Hawk Theatre and The Hawk Makerspace. For more information, visit www.fhgov.com.

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