



# MEMORANDUM

## REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 6, 2026 at 6:00 PM

**TO: City Council**

**FROM: Lisa Nocerini, City Manager**

**SUBJECT: AED Donations to Saugatuck-Douglas Heart Safe Community**

The City of Douglas currently maintains seven (7) AED units. Four (4) of those AED units are in weatherproof cabinets in the following parks; Beery Field, Douglas Beach, Schultz Park, and the Douglas Marina. The cabinets require constant monitoring and maintenance. The Department of Public Works regularly inspects them to make sure they are functioning properly.

At a recent meeting regarding a new AED unit in the downtown with Heart Safe, it was brought to our attention how their program works. Heart Safe is a community-based program that focuses on the importance of leadership, collaboration, and strategy / tactics in improving cardiac arrest survival in the community. They provide funding, maintenance, educational classes and training, as well as a PulsePoint AED app of registered AED units in the community, making lifesaving devices easier to locate and use when a cardiac emergency strikes. Their app allows any community member to find where the nearest AED unit is located. With the help of donations, a member of the community could sponsor an AED unit for Heart Safe to maintain. They would get a plaque stating, "This AED unit is brought to you by *sponsors name*". Heart Safe would maintain the unit, make sure it is running properly, provide each unit with new pads when they expire, and provide new batteries when they die. The City would still be responsible for electrical costs and Wi-Fi access to the unit, as well as the three (3) remaining AED units located within City Hall and patrol vehicles.

**Motion: I make a motion to approve the donation of the four (4) AED units located at Beery Field, Douglas Beach, Schultz Park, and the Douglas Marina to Heart Safe.**



♥ Support a Community That Saves Lives ♥

**Every dollar helps place more AEDs, train more neighbors, and save more lives.**

Cardiac arrest doesn't wait. But with your help, we can make sure our beaches, parks, schools, and streets are ready when every second counts.

- ✓ \$20 trains a neighbor in hands-only CPR
- ✓ \$100 helps maintain our AED network
- ✓ \$1,500 places a new AED in a high-traffic location

Visit [www.sdheart.org](http://www.sdheart.org) to learn more.