

# Safety Solutions from BE SAFE The Movie

Created by Emily Iland, M.A.



**BE SAFE The Movie** uses video modeling to show viewers how to interact with the police in everyday encounters. Positive models help viewers of all abilities learn what to do and say when meeting the police. In each scene real police interact with special needs individuals, demonstrating crucial safety skills that range from following instructions to the right to remain silent. BE SAFE is great for teens and adults with disabilities and everyone else for that matter!



**BE SAFE Teaching Edition** is a unique tool that parents, educators and other professionals can use to teach teen or adults to interact safely with the police in everyday encounters. BE SAFE Teaching Edition includes a DVD of BE SAFE The Movie plus a 300-page Curriculum on CD-ROM with activities, games and materials to build skills and reinforce key safety messages with diverse learners.

Teaching guide also available in Spanish: [CUÍDATE: Guía de Enseñanza](#)



**Autism Safety Card** is an indispensable tool that provides key information to first responders in case of emergency. Customize the card so that police, firefighters and emergency personnel know how to help and who to call. Keep multiple cards ready in a wallet, purse, bag and glove compartment. Card lists features of ASD and allows the user to check off accommodations needed for calming, communication, etc. Remember to always ask permission to present the card to police!

Also available for Down Syndrome and Alzheimer's/Dementia.

Visit [www.BeSafeTheMovie.com](http://www.BeSafeTheMovie.com) for more information  
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# Safety Trainings for All!

## Professional Events Presented by Emily Iland, M.A.

### Experience Autism™



Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) are particularly vulnerable in police encounters and emergency situations due to features of their disorder. Experience Autism is an engaging training that helps law enforcement professionals recognize the signs of ASD and respond to the needs of this population. Our hands-on Experience Autism™ activities simulate different features of autism, to help first responders reduce risk and improve outcomes for everyone involved. For more information visit <http://experienceautism.net>

### BE SAFE Interactive Movie Screening



This community event brings local police together with teens and adults with ASD and related disabilities (along with their parents, caregivers, teachers, or staff). The audience views scenes from BE SAFE The Movie, the exciting new video modeling tool that shows what to do and say in different types of police encounters. Peace officers try out safety activities with the audience while building relationships, trust and mutual understanding. The messages of safety, boundaries, and following instructions in this presentation are relevant to every teen and adult, and can even be life-saving.

### Be Safe Certificate Course



This engaging interactive workshop builds capacity, empowering parents, educators, therapists, staff and school police with the information and tools they need to address the safety needs of teens and adults with ASD and related conditions. Participants view all episodes of BE SAFE The Movie and explore the Companion Curriculum in depth, including games, activities, resources and goals for transition. Trainees will be prepared to make a difference in the life of every teen and adult and receive a certificate of course completion.

### Emily Iland, M.A.

Emily Iland, M.A. Emily is an award-winning author, researcher and leader in the autism field. As the mother of a young man with ASD and as an adjunct professor of special education, she brings experience and insight to her work. She has personally trained nearly 5,000 peace officers and other first responders about ASD and created new tools to help teens and adults with ASD learn to interact safely with police. Visit [www.BeSafeTheMovie.com](http://www.BeSafeTheMovie.com) for more information.



# Community Safety Projects

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### Santa Clarita Valley Special Needs Registry



The Special Needs Registry is a free, secure safety tool that helps Santa Clarita Sheriffs recognize and respond to people with special needs. The Special Needs Registry (SNR) is maintained by the City of Santa Clarita in conjunction with the Santa Clarita Sheriff's Department (located in Los Angeles County, California).

Parents or caregivers voluntarily provide information about a person with special needs prior to an emergency situation, submitting information and a photograph online. The data is securely stored and instantly available to assist the sheriffs if someone in the registry gets lost or is found. The information is also available to help sheriffs respond to people with special needs in emergencies or police encounters.

The Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) recognized the Santa Clarita's Special Needs Registry SNR as a model for the country on their Lessons Learned website. The SNR has also received the Diamond Award from the California Emergency Services Association. The Diamond Award is the highest award presented to an individual or organization for outstanding service in emergency management.

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Not every town offers a special needs registry, but parents, caregivers or individuals with special needs may want to organize key information to keep on hand in case of emergency. [The Special Needs Information Page \(SNIP\)](#) is a free tool available at [www.BeSafeTheMovie.com](http://www.BeSafeTheMovie.com) to help you do that.

The "Write and Print" version of the SNIP lets you type right onto the form, then print as many copies as you need. Be sure to attach a clear photo of the person's face to each copy. Keep copies of the SNIP in the car, on the refrigerator, in purses or backpacks, etc.

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Another option for organizing key medical, safety and behavioral concerns of individuals with disabilities or



medical conditions (or yourself) is the "Print and Write" version of the [Special Needs Information Page \(SNIP\)](#). Print out a blank version of the form and fill in the information with a pen! Then make as many copies as needed.

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