

HEROES: Upper Saddle River Responders Rescue Unresponsive Man, 58



(From left) Valley Paramedics Matt Bremy and Ingrid Santucci, USR Ambulance Corps Members Erik Van Den Berg, Chad Skier and Beverly Van Den Berg, USR Police Dispatcher Greg Pink and Officers Kevin McWilliams and Colin Gurney. Photo Credit: *COURTESY: Upper Saddle River PD*

UPPER SADDLE RIVER, N.J. -- A 58-year-old Upper Saddle River man wasn't breathing and didn't have a pulse when borough police arrived at his home.

Officers Kevin McWilliams and Colin Gurney began CPR and attached a defibrillator as ambulance corps members and paramedics responded, Detective Lt. Edward Kane said.

The victim's pulse returned and he was rushed to The Valley Hospital in Ridgewood, the lieutenant said.

He was back at work six weeks later.

The grateful man and his family attended a recent borough council meeting, making powerful speeches thanking the emergency workers for their efforts that Dec. 9 day.

"You should have heard him and his wife...unreal," one responder said. "Police officers were working hard to keep it together.

"It was a great night."