

UTA Recognition – Lifesaver Award for James Sidwell and Gabe Jacquez



UTA LIFESAVER AWARD

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James Sidwell

On the morning of September 5th, a UTA operator experienced a possible heart attack while broken down on I-215 near 500 South, reporting chest and arm pains before being transported to the hospital by emergency responders. Supervisor James Sidwell, noticing the incident in the log, drove to the scene where no assistance had yet arrived, requested a UDOT incident truck to protect traffic, and quickly called in the operator's medical condition to TCC. His situational awareness and swift actions may have helped save the operator's life.

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Gabe Jacquez

For his quick thinking, decisive action, and unwavering support, Gabe Jacquez is recognized for his outstanding response during a critical medical emergency. When an operator called him reporting chest pains and intending to drive back to the garage, Gabe immediately instructed him to remain in place and calmly reassured him that help was on the way. He promptly contacted TCC to dispatch emergency medical services, ensuring assistance arrived without delay. Though not physically present, Gabe's professionalism and presence of mind provided vital support and contributed directly to the operator receiving timely care.

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