

Workers' quick thinking saves life of All Weather Windows employee

EMS to recognize four employees who used AED and CPR to save the life of co-worker

EDMONTON, AB, (July 19, 2016) - At 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 21, 2016 at All Weather Windows corporate office in Edmonton (18550 118A Avenue), four workers, credited with saving the life of fellow employee Manuel (Manny) Rodriguez, will be recognized by Alberta Health Services' Emergency Medical Services (AHS - EMS) at an event ceremony.

On May 16th of this year, Manny arrived for his shift at the All Weather Windows Edmonton plant at approximately 3:20 p.m. As an Inbound Receiving supervisor, Manny was visiting with coworkers in the office prior to the start of his shift. Shortly thereafter, a co-worker turned and saw that Manny had collapsed and wasn't responsive. Three other employees (the H&S nurse, the H&S advisor and the H&S business partner) joined in to help by grabbing the company's emergency crash bag filled with medical supplies and the Automated External Defibrillator (AED), and called 9-1-1. Two of his coworkers performed CPR, and applied the AED while two others controlled the scene and waited for the paramedics to arrive. Manny suffered a cardiac arrest, was taken to hospital, and was released 3 weeks later.

Due to the quick actions of his co-workers, Manny is alive to tell the story today. Manny says that he is feeling great and is extremely grateful for the swift response of his co-workers.

All Weather Windows President and CEO, Richard Scott says that he "is very proud of our employees, our safety program and our ability to respond quickly to an emergency. Manny is alive today because of the actions of our health and safety team and our health and safety program."

All Weather Windows has AED devices readily available in many of their facilities across Canada and provides regular training for their employees as part of their ongoing health and safety program.

"This case is such a great example of a workplace having a plan in place and the staff acting on it. We would encourage all workplaces to review and practice their medical event plans on a regular basis," says Alex Campbell, EMS Public Education Officer.

About All Weather Windows

All Weather Windows is Canada's largest privately owned window and door manufacturer. Launched in 1978 in a 10,000-square-foot manufacturing facility in Edmonton, Alberta, the company has since expanded to nine branches and over 1,000 dealers nationwide. Our two leading-edge manufacturing plants in Edmonton and Mississauga produce a full range of award-winning window and door products for dealers, builders, contractors and homeowners. All Weather Windows has also been a platinum sponsor of Habitat for Humanity for over seven years. www.allweatherwindows.com

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