

Barrie students learn defibrillation techniques

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Hydro One Chief Corporate Affairs and Customer Care Officer Jason Fitzsimmons works with Bear Creek Secondary School students on performing CPR. - Ian G McIntosh Photography

Hydro One wants to keep hearts pumping in Simcoe County.

Hydro One and the Advanced Coronary Treatment (ACT) Foundation announced a three-year partnership to continue training 450,000 high school students CPR and defibrillation techniques. Since 2000, the corporation has trained more than two million high school students in CPR.

"At Hydro One, safety is at the core of everything we do. Our priority is that every worker returns home to their family safely at the end of each day," Hydro One chief corporate affairs and customer care officer Jason Fitzsimmons said. "We ensure our employees are properly trained to respond to medical emergencies that could occur in the workplace, at home or in public. By partnering with ACT, we are also able to support the teaching of high school students across the province in these critical life-saving skills."

Hydro One and ACT made the announcement at Bear Creek Secondary School May 2. More than 6,500 Simcoe County students are anticipated to be trained this year.