



HOUSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES MEDIA ALERT

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HFD celebrates Valentines' Day & Go Red* by reuniting with woman who was resuscitated from a cardiac arrest and given hypothermia treatment

WHAT: HFD EMS will hold a reunion with Diana Lorenzana, cardiac arrest survivor

WHEN : Thursday, February 12, 2009 at 11:00 am

WHERE: HFD Station 9, 702 Hogan Street @ Freeman Street , key map 493G

DETAILS: Diana Lorenzana (52) suffered a cardiac arrest as she drove through downtown Houston in February 2008. Someone saw her slumped over and called 9-1-1. Several HFD units responded from Stations 9 and 15. They quickly pulled her out of the car and began lifesaving efforts. HFD firefighters, EMTs and paramedics got her pulses restored and administered newly instituted hypothermia treatment at the scene and en-route to the hospital.

The Lorenzana family will be providing lunch for the HFD members that responded on that fateful day. This family wants to express their gratitude for helping save this wife and mother.

HFD EMS began treating certain patients who fit the criteria with hypothermia as part of their post-cardiac arrest treatment in 2008. EMS Director, Dr. David Persse will help host this event and will be available to answer questions concerning hypothermia treatment by HFD EMS.

**February is "Go Red for Women" the American Heart Association's campaign for to help fight heart disease and save lives.*



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