

2017 Russell Medal

At approximately 3.00pm on 27th February 2017, Stanley McFarlane, who has an RLSS Bronze Medallion and who has also received CPR training in school, was leaving school with his father when they saw a lady lying on the ground, motionless. Stanley immediately ran over to the lady and found she wasn't breathing.

He was able to administer 20 compressions of CPR while instructing his father to call for an ambulance. After the 20 compressions the lady took a gasp of air, and by phone the emergency services instructed that he give another 20 compressions. This was enough to bring the lady around to a conscious state. He put her in recovery position and reassured her before she was taken to hospital by the ambulance.

Stanley was just 15 at the time - and showed great courage and maturity to jump into action so quickly without even thinking. His training enabled him to save a life.

Stanley McFarlane has been awarded the 2017 Russell Medal by RLSS Russell Medal Committee and endorsed by RLSS Board of Trustees.