#ItCouldHappenToYou



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Mission
Build basic swimming skills and knowledge of water safety to prevent drowning and water related injury

How we got our start.



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What is drowning?....



Definition

"Drowning is the process of experiencing respiratory impairment from submersion/immersion in liquid." World Health Organization

Drowning outcomes should be classified as: death, morbidity, and no morbidity. There was also consensus that the terms wet, dry, active, passive, silent, and secondary drowning should no longer be used.

Who's Drowning & Why?

Everyone!

- 10 people drown every day in the US. 2 of which are children.
- 80% of all drowning victims are male
- Among unintentional injuries, drowning is the leading cause of unintentional death for children ages 1-4, second leading cause of accidental death for children ages 5-14 and the third leading cause for children under the age of 1 and 15-17 years.
- Safe Kids Worldwide 2016 Drowning Report

Did you know?



of African American children have low or no swimming ability.2

of Latino children have low or no swimming ability.2

he USA Swimming Foundation's Make ■ a Splash initiative is a national childfocused water safety campaign, which aims to provide the opportunity for every child in America to learn to swim. Through Make a Splash, the USA Swimming Foundation partners with learn-to-swim providers and water safety advocates across the country to provide swimming lessons and educate children and their families on the importance of learning how to swim. The USA Swimming Foundation has invested millions of dollars to provide grants to qualified Local Partner learnto-swim programs, to spread national

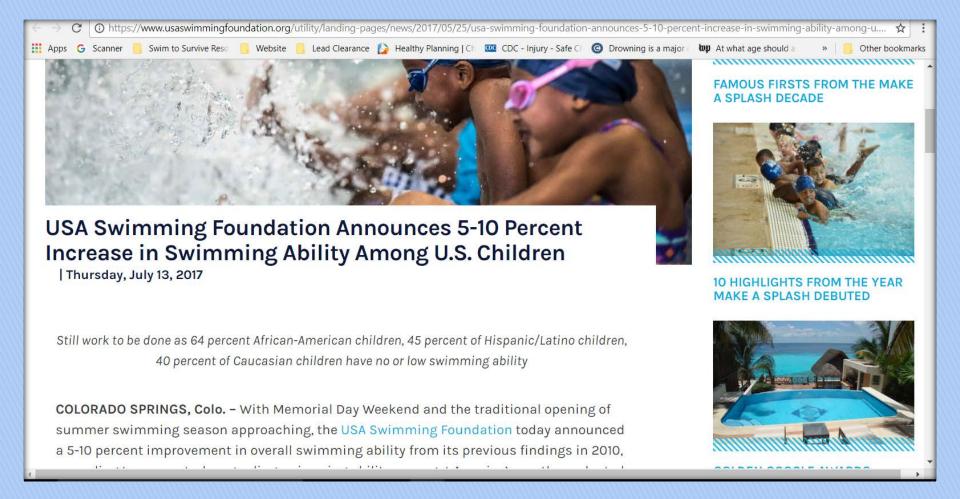
of Caucasian children have low or no swimming ability.2

awareness, and to bring together strategic partners to end drowning. To date, more than 2.5 million children have received the lifesaving gift of swim lessons through the USA Swimming Foundation Make a Splash Local Partner network, comprised of more than 600 qualified lesson providers

across the nation. To learn more, visit usaswimmingfoundation.org/makeasplash.

Together we can save lives—and provide kids across our country with the opportunity to become part of the sport we love.

USA Swimming Report 2010



Swim ability has improved among all groups!



GOOD NEWS!!!

Childhood drownings have decreased over the past 30 years

But it still remains a leading cause of accidental death among all children Under the age of 18

WHY?

Parental Misconceptions

- #1 I will hear my child if he/she get into trouble in the water and starts to drown
- #2 Nothing bad will happen if I take my full attention off my child for a couple of minutes
- #3 If there is a lifeguard present, I don't need to worry as much about actively supervising my child in and around the water



Weak or NO Supervision

Children drown quickly and silently. Adults who were present when a child drowned were often distracted in some way, by talking on the phone, chatting with other adults around the pool or reading.





BE SMART WATCH YOUR CHILD NOT YOUR PHONE

Of the 137 children younger than 15 who drowned from Memorial Day to Labor day last year, 54 reported that the drowning occurred soon after the child left the adults presence and 31 died despite others being present.

Parent Misconceptions Cont'd.

- #5 If my child can swim he or she has all the necessary water survival skills
- #6 If there is a fence around the property, my child is safe from drowning
- #7 My learning CPR is not going to make a difference if my child gets into trouble in the water

Goals & Objectives

- Goals & Objectives Water Safety Education
- 1. Parents and Students will know the layers of protection of water safety
- Parents and students will be able to identify safety apparatus that should be available at all pool areas and will know how to use them
- 3. Parents and students will know how to select and properly wear a PFD (personal flotation device) or Life Jacket.
- 4. Parents and students will have knowledge of what to do in case of a water emergency

#ItCouldHappenToYou

- Learn to Swim
- Be Water Safe
- Stop Drowning
- No Kids Drown
- Drowning Prevention Is Within Your Reach
- Simple Steps Save Lives
- Wear It!
- Don't Sink, Swim!