

Cedar Valley

Underwater Rescue

Unit

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Cedar Valley Underwater Rescue Unit (CVURU)

Questions to Be Answered

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What Is the CVURU

We are a nonprofit independent rescue service manned entirely by volunteers.

We are located in Waterloo, Iowa at Fire Station 4 and have been in existence for over 30 years.

The Unit is made up of highly trained and experienced scuba divers as well as various surface support personnel. We work in conjunction with all Northeast Iowa Sheriff, Police, Fire Rescue and Emergency Management Offices. We also work with the Iowa DOT and DNR Offices.

We respond to all waterborne emergencies in Northeast Iowa and assist when needed in other areas.

What Does the CVURU Do

We provide experienced scuba divers and specialized equipment for the recovery of:

•Evidence •Vehicles •Jewelry •Drowning Victims

We also perform "light" commercial diving such as:

•Surveys & Reconnaissance •Debris Removal
•Cutting •Equipment Retrieval •Dry Hydrant Repair

We are on call and back up local fire departments during their swift water rescue training.

We have taught water safety classes at local schools and ice safety demonstrations for local fishing clubs.

Pictures of CVUR in Action



**Underwater metal
detecting and
evidence recovery**



Pictures of CVUR in Action



Vehicle and
Equipment
Recovery



Pictures of CVUR in Action



Commercial work



Body Recovery



Inspections



Pictures of CVUR in Action



Ice
Training

Confined
Space



Under the ice
Recovery



Who Are the Members of CVURU

Ray Rich (President) Diver
Doug Kloster (Vice President) Diver
Marv Anderson (Treasurer) Diver
Tom Siglin (Member at Large) Diver
Jim Cook (Diver)
Jason Dolf (Diver)
Don Edgerton (Honorary member)
Steve Isbell (Diver)
Rick Johnson (Diver)
Kevin Kirchner (Diver)
Mike Molstead (Diver)
Steve Shields (Diver)
Terry Stewart (Diver)
Blake Waseskuk (Diver)
Wayne Walker (Surface Support)
Steve Weliver (Diver)
Mike Zilk (Diver)



What Is Required of CVURU Members

- Must be at least 21 years old or, for ages 18-21, must have successfully completed the PADI Rescue Diver and IADRS Dive Rescue I training or other Board-approved training courses
- All new members over legal age must complete at least one of the two courses
- Must submit a photo copy of his/her C-card
- Must pass an interview by the Board
- Must pass Medical Examination
- Must be willing to be on call 24 hours a day
- Volunteer their time and pay dues
- Some of these do not apply to Surface Support Positions

What Equipment Does the CVURU Have

- 2 Rubber dry suits with undergarments
- 1 Shell dry suit
- 2 Neoprene dry suits
- 4 Buoyancy control devices
- 4 EXO Full face masks
- 2 Hard wire communication units
- 2 Wireless communication units
- 2 Underwater medal detectors
- 4 80 cubic tanks
- 2 Pony bottle set ups
- 4 Weight and trim system
- Miscellaneous items and parts



Total Value of approximately \$20,000.00

What Equipment Does the CVURU Need or Want

Quantity	Description	Total Cost	Reason needed
1	8 X 10 Trailer	\$3,000.00	Speed in response
4	Buoyancy Control Device	\$1,500.00	Safety - Out dated - Sizes
2	Dry suits	\$1,900.00	Safety - Out dated - Sizes
2	Dry suit under garments	\$450.00	Need for cold water dives
2	Knives	\$60.00	Safety
2	Communication Units	\$700.00	Old one's need to be updated
4	Ice Regulators	\$1,300.00	Safety for Ice rescues
2	Pony bottles and brackets	\$350.00	Safety for back up divers
1	Misc maintenance equipment	\$400.00	Need some maintenance supplies and back up parts
6	Dry gloves	\$246.00	Old ones need to be updated
2	Ice Screws	\$70.00	Safety
2	Full face masks	\$1,700.00	Replace our old ones
1	Wireless Tender Unit	\$750.00	Helps with dives where entanglement is a problem
1	Training Classes	\$3,500.00	Bring our divers up to date with the latest training
1	Surface supplied air set up	\$2,000.00	To eliminate diver having to carry tanks in tight areas
		\$17,926.00	Total money needed to be raised

What You Can Do to Help CVURU

Without the generosity of the general public and local business, the Cedar Valley Underwater Rescue unit would not exist.

It takes several thousand dollars a year to keep the Cedar Valley Underwater Rescue Unit in operation and with the latest safety and rescue equipment.

Our income is derived from membership dues, donations from the general public, local businesses, civic and service organizations, government agencies using our services and contracted fees for personal and commercial diving.

What CVURU Will Do for You

Contributing Members: Any individual, firm, or corporation making a substantial contribution toward the goals of this unit may, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, be designated a contributing member, with such rights as may be conferred by the Board of Directors, except that a contributing membership shall in no event entitle the holder thereof to vote on any of the affairs of the corporation.

Web Page: List your name on our web page as a supporter.

Trailer: List your name on our Trailer (As soon as we get it).

Plaque: Give you a plaque thanking you for your support.

\$5000.00 or more will get all of the above

\$2000.00 or more will get listed on the trailer, plaque and web page

\$ 500.00 or more will get a plaque and listed on the web page

\$ 250.00 or more will get listed on the web page

100% of all Donations go to CVURU

Thank You for Your Support

