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KNOXVILLE (WATE) - As technology makes our society more mobile there are more mobile ways to keep track of your loved ones including cell phones, car trackers and even shoes.

GPS shoes

That's right, an LA company has patented a GPS system in a shoe.

military, police, fire and public safety workers.

Xplorer Smart Shoes, made by GTX Corp., are able to track the person wearing them in real time or by remote surveillance. GTX says the shoes work particularly well for: children, people with Alzheimer's disease, outdoor adventures.

Parents can monitor where their kids are using phones, the Internet, PDAs or Blackberries. They can also tell where the kid's been the day before, the week before or even the month before.

GTX will send an alert by email or text message if the kid goes beyond a certain area the parent defines. GPS cell phones

Here are three cell phone companies that offer GPS tracking for family members.

Disney Mobile's Family Locator service allows parents to find their children's phones by GPS.

The service shows parents a map of their kid's location on their phones or on the Disney Mobile Web site. Verizon offers a similar service it calls Chaperone. It also tracks family members' phones on handsets or

Chaperone allows parents to designate areas around specific locations, like schools. If a child enters or

leaves the area with his phone, you get a text message. And there's Sprint Family Locator, another service that can monitor locations online or by phone. It sends

messages to alert parents when a child has arrived somewhere on time. And if you're concerned about keeping track when your kid starts to drive there's...

GPS on cars

One service called Alltrack USA allows parents to put a tracking device on a teen's car. Parents can monitor locations online or by phone.

The Alltrack system notifies you by cell phone, email, PDA or pager when your kid arrives somewhere, leaves or even goes over a certain speed limit. Parents can even set up their phone or computer so they can unlock the doors, disable the starter, honk the

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hom or turn on the dashboard lights to get their kid's attention.

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