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Plainfield IL – The Plainfield Police Department remains dedicated to reducing injury related and fatal traffic crashes. One of the best ways to do this is by aggressively enforcing occupant restraint laws.

The State of Illinois has set a goal of reaching a 93 percent seat belt usage rate within the state. A study conducted by the Plainfield Police Department in November of 2009 revealed a 93.6 percent seat belt usage rate within the Village of Plainfield, which marks the first time a seat belt study conducted within the Village of Plainfield has exceeded the goal set by the State of Illinois.

In order to maintain the seat belt usage rate within the Village of Plainfield, the Plainfield Police Department will conduct numerous "Click it or Ticket" campaigns throughout the year, in addition to participating in state and national campaigns.

Thus, the Plainfield Police Department will be conducting a seat belt campaign in conjunction with St. Patrick's Day, which shall run from March 8th through March 21st. Plainfield Police Officers will focus a large amount of their efforts on occupant restraint violations, and will take a "zero tolerance" approach. A part of the enforcement efforts will be funded through a grant from the Illinois Department of Transportation – Division of Traffic Safety.

During the week long Valentine's Day "Click it or Ticket" campaign in February, the Plainfield Police Department issued 201 citations to motorists who failed to buckle up.

Plainfield Police Officers will conduct enforcement both from their vehicles and on foot at various locations throughout the Village, and anyone stopped for failing to buckle up can expect a citation.

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