



# VILLAGE OF PLAINFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT



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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 and seeking out and arresting impaired drivers.

The Plainfield Police Department will participate in the national Christmas and New Year's "Click it or Ticket" and Impaired Driving campaign, funded by a grant through the Illinois Department of Transportation, which runs from December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010 through January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011.

Plainfield Police Officers will focus a large amount of their efforts on occupant restraint violations, and will take a "zero tolerance" approach. Plainfield Police Officers will conduct enforcement during daytime and nighttime hours, both from vehicles and on foot at various locations throughout the Village. Anyone stopped for failing to buckle up can expect a citation.

In addition, the Plainfield Police Department will place extra police officers on the street at night to focus on impaired driving enforcement during the same timeframe.

The Plainfield Police Department recommends designating a sober driver and not letting friends and family drive impaired as just two of several simple steps to avoid a tragic crash or an arrest for impaired driving. Other important tips include:

- Plan ahead. Designate a sober driver before going out and give that person your keys.
- If you are impaired, call a taxi, use mass transit or call a sober friend or family member to get you home safely.
- Promptly report impaired drivers you see on the roadways to law enforcement.
- Wear your safety belt. It is your best defense against an impaired driver.

Please make the holiday season safe for everyone; do not drink and drive and always buckle up, every time, every trip!

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