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News Release

HPD Partners Up to Keep Seat Belt Violations Down

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The Harrisonburg Police Department will partner with many other agencies throughout Virginia to educate and enforce the importance of using safety belts.

The annual "Click It or Ticket Virginia" campaign will run May 22 through June 5.

In the beginning of May, HPD officers conducted a safety belt survey. Out of the 100 vehicles that were surveyed, 89 percent of the drivers were belted. Compared to last year's survey at 86 percent, this year's results were impressive.

The Harrisonburg Police Department will conduct saturation patrols and checkpoints throughout the next several weeks. Police would also like to remind motorists to make sure your vehicle is current on the registration, city, county, or town stickers, and the inspection.

"Our goal each year is to see more people buckle up and issue fewer tickets for safety belt violations," said Mary-Hope Vass, Public Information Officer for HPD.

HPD recommends that all occupants of a motor vehicle put on their safety belt before the vehicle begins moving.

For more information about the Click It or Ticket campaign, please visit www.smartsafeandsober.org.

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