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Sunrise Beach PD to Participate in Youth Seat Belt Enforcement

Teens Reminded to Buckle Up and Arrive Alive

Sunrise Beach, MO – Sunrise Beach Police Department announced today they are joining with statewide law enforcement March 15-31 for a high visibility youth seat belt mobilization to help increase seat belt use among teens and reduce highway fatalities.

Only 75.5 percent of Missouri teens wear their seat belts when driving or riding in a motor vehicle. Seven out of ten teen vehicle drivers and passengers killed in traffic crashes are unbuckled.

Under the Graduated Driver's License (GDL) law, teens are required to wear their seat belt as it's a primary offense, meaning they can be pulled over solely for not wearing their seat belt.

Drivers should be ready for increased seat belt enforcement. We have been awarded a grant through MoDot and the Missouri Safety Center to provide overtime for additional officers to focus on seat belt usage and violations March 15th through March 31st. We'll be out there to remind you seat belts can – and do – save lives.

Seat belt use is the single most effective way to protect people and reduce fatalities in motor vehicle crashes.

Buckle Up and Arrive Alive.

For information on Missouri seatbelt usage Visit www.saveMOLives.com.

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