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Delhi Township Police Department is joining other law enforcement agencies across the country in the national Click It or Ticket Campaign beginning May 24th and continuing through June 6th, 2010.

During this time all participating agencies will increase their enforcement of seat belt usage by drivers and passengers. The combination of active law enforcement, high profile publicity, and the advocacy and promotion by public and private groups continues to be an extremely effective means for increasing safety belt use and saving lives across the country.

Seatbelts are the most effective safety feature available in vehicles today; but nearly one in five Americans still fail to regularly wear their seatbelts when driving or riding in a motor vehicle. The effectiveness is indisputable. In 2009, 45.8% of the people killed in an automobile crash were not wearing a seatbelt. In 2000, 66% of drivers/front seat passengers utilized a seatbelt. In 2009, the number of drivers/front seat passengers that used seatbelts increased to 83.6%. There is still room for improvement. We must strive to get 100% of people in motor vehicles to wear their safety restraints.

Our agency once again plans to conduct various safety talks stressing the importance of both children and adults wearing safety belts. Site surveys were conducted at the schools in our community last year during the campaign. Students once again last year were encouraged to inform their parents and siblings to wear their safety belts in an effort to raise the teen and adult compliance rate for the 2010 survey.

The emphasis of the “Click It or Ticket” Campaign is to influence people to buckle up and prevent injuries and fatalities. The Delhi Police Department encourages everyone to wear their seat belt every trip, every time. Doing so can save you money and possibly your life.

For additional information please contact the Delhi Township Police Department at 513-922-0060.