



**Cuyahoga County  
Safe Kids/Safe Communities Coalition  
SRAD/OVI Reduction Task Force  
Thursday, February 19, 2009  
Beachwood Recreation Center**



**I. New Business**

*A. New Booster Law Signed by Governor*

1. Substitute House Bill 320 was signed by the Governor on January 6, 2009.
2. New law requires children who are ages 4 through 7 to be restrained in a car seat or booster seat, unless they are 4' 9" or taller. It is a secondary enforcement measure.
3. Law does not take effect until six months after effective date, and then there is a six month warning period on top of that.
  - a) November 2009: booster law goes into effect; police may issue written warnings only for the next six months
  - b) April 2010: officers may issue citations for violations of booster law.
4. There was also a provision of the bill that weakened Ohio's GDL law. A parent/guardian no longer has to be present for the first offense, and work privileges may be granted. This provision takes effect April 6, 2009.

*B. St Patrick's Day Blitz Posters, Coasters and Patrols:*

1. Posters & Coasters –
  - a. We have posters and matching coasters available today. Please fill out a form for the supplies that you take.
  - b. If you would like customized posters with your city's information please email Nick, [Nicholas.schiltz@uhhospitals.org](mailto:Nicholas.schiltz@uhhospitals.org).
2. Media –
  - a. St. Patrick's Day press releases are available today.
  - b. Website Banner Art and splash page – if your city is interested in putting up an impaired driving message on their website there is art they can download from

<http://www.stopimpaireddriving.org/planners/StPatrick2009/index.cfm>

**Banners - Social Norming**

Click [HERE](#) to download this entire social norming set.

**DESIGNATE A SOBER DRIVER**

**REMEMBER FRIENDS DON'T LET FRIENDS DRIVE DRUNK**

3. Enforcement – dates for high visibility enforcement and saturation patrols still need to be entered into the calendar by:
 

Bedford	Cleveland	N. Olmsted
Broadview Hts	Garfield Heights	Olmsted Twp.
Brook Park	Lakewood	Parma Hts.
Brooklyn	Middleburg Hts.	Pepper Pike

*C. FFY 2009 Press Events and Media Outreach*

1. Click It or Ticket
  - a. House of Blues – 5/19/09
  - b. Speedway Buckledowns – 5/22/09
2. Motorcycle Safety
  - a. We will be partnering with Quaker State & Lube for a Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month Kickoff Event
 

Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm  
Quaker Steak & Lube, Valley View
  - b. Partnership with the Indians – we are still working on similar program, details will follow
3. 4<sup>th</sup> of July – Designated Driver Press Event
  - a. We are partnering with ODNR, Cleveland Metroparks, Coast Guard to conduct a press event that will emphasis safe boating as well as making sure you're sober when people leave the party boat and get in their cars to go home.
  - b. The press event will be held on the E. 9<sup>th</sup> St. pier in front of the Goodtime III. We need 30 attendees to stand and look impressive for the 15 minute press event.
 

Thursday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>  
10:30 press event  
11:00 lunch
4. Over the Limit. Under Arrest. – we're thinking about conducting the OVI Warrant Sweep as our kick-off for the campaign.
  - a. Tentative date: August 23<sup>rd</sup>
  - b. We were thinking about trying to feature an "OVI Fugitive of the Week" maybe try to shop out stories about multiple offenders that local departments are looking for. If you have a good story, please let Chrystal know.

*D. Training:*

1. SFST Refresher – we will be scheduling 2 small SFST refreshers, one on the east side and one on the west side, with the option to add additional dates if there is a need. The trainings will be limited to 15 attendees each. The classes will be conducted approximately from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm (due to drinker availability). We are looking for locations that have two rooms (one for the drinkers and another for the class). Dates will be:
  - a. Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>
  - b. Tuesday, April 29<sup>th</sup>

2. OVI Law Update: We have invited Dean Ward to conduct a half day OVI Law Update. Date TBD. Is there anyone else (for free) that you would like to hear from?

*E. Rise in Crash Fatalities – 2008*

1. Preliminary data from ODPS shows we have had 94 fatalities during 2008, and some are still uncounted.

	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
Fatal Crashes (42% increase from 2007 to 2008)	63	66	94
Injury Crashes (6% decrease from 2007 to 2008)	9116	8717	8222
Overall Crashes (6% decrease from 2007 to 2008)	34278	34308	32250
Alcohol impaired related fatal crashes	35.29%	29.41%	37.11%
Restraint Use by occupants killed in crashes	32.50%	40%	20.60%
Restraint Use by occupants injured in crashes	82%	82.20%	83.10%

2. Probable Causes of Crashes by Contributing Circumstances: difficult to pin down. See Table 2.08. Majority of fatal crashes are coded as “Operating Vehicle in Erratic Manner” and “Failure to Control”
3. Local statistics – if you are interested in looking up statistics for your city you can use the ODPS website:
  - a. <https://ext.dps.state.oh.us/crashreports/crashreports.aspx>
  - b. Click on “Crash Statistics”
  - c. Click on “FIPS”

*F. Motorcycle Safety*

1. 13 deaths last year

	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
Deaths (State)	157	190	209
Deaths (Cuy Co.)	13	13	14
Injuries (State)	3546	4053	4114
Injuries (Cuy Co.)	254	298	263
Alcohol Related Fatal Crashes (Cuy Co)	6	4	6
Alcohol Related Injury Crashes (Cuy Co)	12	22	14
Persons in Error in Motorcycle Crashes - Motorcycle Driver (Cuy Co)	47.90%	45.90%	43.50%
Persons in Error in Motorcycle Crashes - Non-Motorcycle Driver (Cuy Co)	38.20%	42.30%	46.30%

*G. Cleveland Auto Show*

1. We need volunteers for the Cleveland Auto Show to work 2 – 4 hour shifts
2. We really need volunteers to sign up for these dates and times:
  - a. Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 1 - 3pm & 8 - 10pm
  - b. Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 6 – 8pm
  - c. Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 12 – 3pm
  - d. Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 7 – 9pm
  - e. Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 11am – 1pm
3. Theme will promote Ohio’s new booster seat law and will also have an impaired driving activity.

#### H. FFY09 HVEO Grant Information

1. Contracts: we still need HVEO contracts from  
Mayfield Heights  
Olmsted Twp.  
Moreland Hills
2. Enforcement Calendar: the calendar is being passed around.
  - a) This year the state will be monitoring our planning on-line.
  - b) You can always change dates later
  - c) Use the website to enter and remove enforcement dates. You can view the enforcement activity of all departments here. Password is "traffic1"
3. Monthly Reporting: you must complete and forward monthly GR-24A's and invoices by the 14<sup>th</sup> of each month.
4. Carryover Hours: If you do not use all of your allocated enforcement hours for a month, but would like to use the hours later, write the following on the report:  
**"We request a carryover of 2 hours to (Month/Patrol)."**
5. Fringe Benefit Rate: check to make sure your department's fringe rate did not change with the New Year. We must report this to ODPS whenever a fringe rate changes.

#### I. FFY09 OVI Grant Information

1. Contracts: we still need contracts from  
Olmsted Twp.
2. Enforcement Calendar: please fill out the calendar with your planned checkpoints and saturation patrols.
  - a) The Ohio Investigative Unit has started a new program that requires OIU representatives to gather data at all OVI checkpoints for FFY 2009. Please contact Chrystal if your date and location changes so we can let the OIU agents know. We still need checkpoint dates from:  
Mar: Cleveland  
Apr: Cleveland  
May: Bedford, Brooklyn Hts., Cleveland, Garfield Hts., Lyndhurst, Parma Hts.  
Jun: Bedford Hts., Cleveland, N. Royalton  
Jul: Broadview Hts., Cleveland, Garfield Hts., Olmsted Falls  
Aug: Bedford Hts., Broadview Hts., Brooklyn, Cleveland, Lyndhurst Olmsted Twp., Parma Hts.  
Sep: Bedford, Cleveland, Garfield Hts.
3. Reminders and updates:
  - a) There can only be coordination time claimed on checkpoint invoices. The number of hours claimed on your monthly saturation patrol invoice must match the enforcement hours listed on your monthly GR-24A.
  - b) Checkpoints are capped for reimbursement at a maximum of 14 personnel and \$3,000 per grant funded checkpoint.

## **II. Reminders**

1. Monthly stats, invoices and activity reports for OT and PI&E are due no later than Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. We MUST report on monthly activities on time.
2. Activity reports can be submitted online:  
<http://www.injurypreventioncenter.com/safe-kids/activity-reports>
3. The next Greater Cleveland Safe Kids/Safe Communities meeting will take place Tuesday, March 3, from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM at the Cuyahoga County Coroner's Office at 11001 Cedar Rd, Cleveland, Ohio.
4. The next Task Force meeting is Thursday, March 19, at 11:00 am. Location: South Euclid Community Center at 1370 Victory Dr.