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Yolo County Celebrates Child Passenger Safety Week With Free Car Seat Inspections

(Woodland, CA) – In honor of Child Passenger Safety Week (September 17-23, 2023), the Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency (HHS) will be offering free car seat safety checks and education to parents and caregivers. A correctly used car seat can reduce fatality risk by 71% for infants and 54% for toddlers in passenger vehicles. Our certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians will let you know if your children are in the right seats for their ages and sizes, make sure your car seats are installed correctly and explain the importance of registering car seats with the manufacturer so you can be notified if there is a recall.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), motor vehicle crashes are a leading cause of death for children and 46% of car seats are misused. Common issues are children being in the wrong type of car seat for their age and size and car seats being installed improperly; both of which leave children vulnerable to injury in a crash. Sadly, two children under 13 were killed every day in 2021 while riding in vehicles with an estimated 318 injured in the same time span.

“Caregivers may be surprised to find out their kids aren’t as safe as possible in their vehicle,” stated Deputy Public Health Officer Dr. Mary Ann Limbos. “We hope to supply them with the knowledge on how they can improve safety for their young passengers. Car seat and booster seat safety should be a part of regular safety maintenance.”

Free car seat checkup events are available for the community this week (listed below). Additionally, you can arrange appointments by calling the Yolo County Child Passenger Safety Program at (530) 406-4410.

September 19, 2023 | 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

City of Woodland Fire Department Station 3 | 1550 Springlake Ct, Woodland, CA 95776

September 23, 2023 | 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Woodland Police Station | 1000 Lincoln Ave, Woodland, CA 95695

Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) through the NHTSA. To learn more about Yolo County’s Child Passenger Safety Program, please contact the program at: Yolo.CarSeats@yolocounty.org. Residents can call Yolo 2-1-1 for additional resource information.

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