

SEATBELTS SAVE LIVES

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Every year roughly 15,000 people involved in motor vehicle accidents are reportedly saved from serious injury by seat belt use (NHTSA). Its import to utilize this important piece of safety equipment. Not because it is the law, not because its Town policy, but because someday your life might be the one that's saved from serious injury.

Why seatbelts are important?

- Airbags are designed to work in conjunction with seat belts. If you're not wearing your seatbelt, the airbag can cause more injury or be ineffective.
- Prevents ejection from the vehicle.
- Reduces the likelihood of serious injury by over 50%
- 47% of all motor vehicle accident fatalities were attributed to lack of seat belt use.



What happens during an accident when not wearing your seatbelt?



- You could strike the windshield or steering wheel.
- You could turn into a projectile and injure others in the vehicle.
- You could become trapped in vehicle during an otherwise minor accident.

