



Safe Kids Spokane County

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Lead Agency

Spokane Regional
Health District

Partners

- AAA Washington
- Airway Heights Fire Department
- Area schools
- Cheney Fire Department
- Community Oriented Policing
- Early Head Start
- East Region EMSTC
- FedEx
- Liberty Lake Police Department
- McDonald's Restaurants
- Sacred Heart Children's Hospital
- Sherriff's Community Oriented Policing Efforts
- Shriners Hospital for Children
- Spokane Fire Department
- Spokane Police Department
- Spokane Police Senior Volunteers
- Spokane County Sheriff's Office
- Spokane County Traffic Safety Commission
- Washington Safety Restraint Coalition
- Washington State Patrol
- Washington Traffic Safety Commission

2009 Activity Overview

Safe Kids Spokane's is a dynamic and diverse group of volunteers and partners engaging and educating the community about preventable injuries among kids ages 0-14 years old throughout Spokane County. All programs regularly review data to ensure interventions are meeting the needs with a strong emphasis on evaluation and implementing best practices or promising approaches. *Below is a very brief overview of some coalition highlights.*

Child Passenger Safety

- Technicians at community car seat check up events and permanent fitting stations **checked nearly 1,200 seats and replaced 125 unsafe seats.**
- Implemented a pre / post evaluation survey to all families attending a community car seat check up event which demonstrated a **66% increase in confidence in their ability to properly install their child restraint.**
- Safe Kids Spokane held one technician course in 2009 and partnered across the Idaho boarder for a second. This resulted in **24 new child passenger safety technicians** joining the efforts.
- Partnered with Washington Traffic Safety Commission to educate law enforcement partners about the part of the WA Occupant Protection law that impacts kids 0-13 and increase community compliance through a media campaign and paid overtime hours for officers enforcing it.
- Kicked off a 'Recycling' car seat program where 60 unsafe seats were sent for free by FedEx to a Portland OR recycler.

Helmet Safety

- Our amazing Sheriff's Community Oriented Policing Efforts volunteers held **24 bike rodeos and distributed and fit nearly 1,300 helmets.**
- In partnership with area Fire Fighters and Law Enforcement officers **distributed 5,000 McDonald's 'Head Smart' coupons** as a reward to kids 'caught' wearing a helmet.

Fire Prevention Efforts

- Through classroom presentations, Fire Prevention Public Educators **reached over 8,000 families with safety messages.**