

Nebraska State Patrol Focusing on Young Drivers

**(KLZA)-- The Nebraska State Patrol is focusing on reducing the potential for serious injury and fatality crashes involving teen drivers.**

**To attain the goal, the Patrol is focusing efforts on educating young drivers about seat belt use.**

**Nebraska State Troopers conducted over 70 safety presentations between January and March, reaching nearly 24-thousand people across the state. From April through June, troopers will continue their educational efforts utilizing grant funding from the Nebraska Department of Roads, Highway Safety Office.**

**The Nebraska Strategic Highway Safety Plan indicates drivers between the ages of 16 and 20 years of age represent the highest number of unbelted fatalities. More than half of the young drivers involved in fatal crashes were not wearing seat belts.**

**If you have a group interested in hosting a safety presentation, visit the Community Policing / Safety Programs page of the Nebraska State Patrol website for information on scheduling a safety demonstration.**

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