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## Fredericksburg Police Increase Efforts to Reduce Speeding

With school back in session next week, the Fredericksburg Police Department is taking a creative and proactive approach to increasing the safety of motorists and pedestrians through education and enforcement.

According to a report by the Governors Highway Safety Association released earlier this year, excessive vehicle speed is a persistent factor in nearly one-third of all motor vehicle-related fatalities. "We are all juggling a busy schedule and have a list of obligations that seems to keep growing. Regardless of how over-committed a person is, speeding from one place to another only puts everyone on the roadways in danger," said Brian Layton, Patrol Division Commander. "Our officers are dedicated to eliminating careless driving on our roadways."

The Fredericksburg Police Department will perform saturated patrols focused on speed enforcement over the next several weeks. Additionally, the Department will utilize social media to remind drivers to be mindful of set speed limits. As part of this effort, the Department released a short, amusing video of young children driving motorized vehicles too fast. While the deliverance is comical, the message is clear: regardless of how cute the excuse is, there is never a reason to speed. Click here to watch: <http://bit.ly/33hV3Zb>



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