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Child Safety Seat Check Up Scheduled

Recognizing that placing children in age-appropriate restraint systems can reduce serious and fatal injuries by more than half in vehicle crashes, the Oak Park Police, Fire and Health departments are hosting a child safety seat check up for community residents.

Certified child passenger safety technicians will be on hand from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., Sat., Sept. 27 in the parking lot at Village Hall, 123 Madison St. Technicians will individually examine each child safety seat for correct use and proper installation, as well as check for any recalls of the specific brands or models.

Representatives from the Police, Fire and Health departments also will be available to provide safety and educational materials to help families learn more about ways they can better safeguard themselves and their children.

To have a safety seat checked, parents will need to bring the vehicle in which the seat is to be installed, the vehicle owner's manual, the seat to be checked, the seat's owner's manual and the child who uses the seat.

Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) Division XI, the Chicagoland Safe Kids Coalition and community partner, Foley Rice Cadillac-Oldsmobile of Oak Park, are sponsoring the seat check up.

For more information, call 445.3300 or email fire@oak-park.us.

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