

Southington PD holding car seat safety check

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A car seat safety check last year in Southington.

Southington Police Department



SOUTHINGTON — The Southington Police Department is partnering with the Early Childhood Collaborative of Southington for its annual car seat event.

The car seat safety check will be held May 30 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Calendar House Senior Center at 388 Pleasant St. Vehicles will be inspected on a first-come, first-served basis at this free event.

Southington Police said certified child passenger safety seat officers will check the car seat to see if it's expired or recalled, obtain the height and weight of the child, adjust harness straps to fit the child before the installation occurs and then install the seat while making sure to teach and answer

questions.

“Any installation or usage issues identified during the car seat safety check will be corrected and the police will not be issuing tickets for car seat violations,” police said.

Connecticut’s Car Seat regulations list an age and weight, the child must meet both requirements: Rear-facing until age 2 and 30 pounds; Car seat with 5-point harness or rear-facing until age 5 and 40 pounds; Booster or car seat until age 8 and 60 pounds.

“Thank you to the Bradley Henry Barnes and Leila Upson Barnes Memorial Trust at the Main Street Community Foundation for helping the ECCS promote car seat safety to help improve the well-being of Southington’s young children,” police said.

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