

MEDIA ADVISORY

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Statewide Click it or Ticket Mobilization

Only about 80% of Kansans are wearing seatbelts, and that's a problem, according to Chris Bortz at the Kansas Department of Transportation. "Every study shows that when seat belt use increases, fatalities decrease."

On Wednesday, KDOT and Kansas law enforcement officials will announce an enhanced seatbelt enforcement to occur later this month. Also speaking will be Shelby Feugate, a 22-year-old woman who thought seatbelts were "uncomfortable" and lost use of her legs from injuries in a car crash. All participants will be available for interviews.

WHO: Shelby Feugate, paraplegic crash victim; Jenny Scheve, emergency room nurse; Sgt. Jim Baker, Shawnee Police Department and Chris Bortz, Kansas Department of Transportation.

WHAT: Kansas Click It or Ticket enhanced enforcement details.

WHEN: 10 – 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 14.

WHERE: Shawnee Police Department, 5850 Renner Road, Shawnee, Kan. 66217

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