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# News Release

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

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## **Car Seat Safety Checkup Event for Child Passenger Safety Month**

*More than 500 community car seat events sponsored by Safe Kids and Chevrolet will keep thousands of kids across the country safe.*

**FREDERICK, MD --** The Safe Kids Frederick County Coalition will join the Walkersville Branch Library to celebrate Child Passenger Safety Month in September.

Road injuries are a leading cause of unintentional deaths of children in the United States. Over 80 percent of car seats in Maryland are not properly installed or used correctly. Correctly used car seats can reduce the risk of death by as much as 71 percent.

Safe Kids Frederick County is working to raise awareness and ensure children ride safely in vehicles. In the 20+ year history of the Buckle Up program, more than 2.3 million car seats have been checked by trained and certified experts.

**WHO:** Safe Kids Frederick County  
Frederick County Health Department  
Walkersville Branch Library

**WHEN:** 11 AM-2 PM, Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
For an appointment:  
Text – 240-877-4087  
Call – 301-600-3337  
Email – [SafeKids@FrederickCountyMD.gov](mailto:SafeKids@FrederickCountyMD.gov)

**WHERE:** Walkersville Branch Library  
2 S. Glade Rd  
Walkersville, MD  
Event will be held rain or shine.

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Nationally Certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians, Safe Kids Frederick County Coalition, Frederick County Public Libraries, Frederick County Department of Social Services, Frederick County Family Partnership, Aetna Better Health of Maryland, Walkersville Volunteer Fire, Infants and Toddlers, Parks & Recreation, Women, Infants and Children (WIC), Maryland Department of Transportation/Maryland Highway Safety Office, Younger Nissan of Frederick, Frederick County Public Schools, and Frederick Memorial Hospital will participate in a car seat checkup event at Walkersville Library to make sure children in Frederick County are riding safely in the car.

Certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians will teach parents how to avoid common mistakes as they install their car seats, offer tips and advice for their child's current height and weight, and a heatstroke display.

For more information on heatstroke prevention, visit [SafeKids.org](https://www.SafeKids.org). To learn more about Safe Kids Frederick County, visit [health.frederickcountymd.gov/safekids](https://health.frederickcountymd.gov/safekids).

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