



On the Road for Safety Program

Difficulty Level:

Hard

Implementation timeframe:

Any time – year round!

Goal: To reduce the number of deaths and injuries due to pedestrian and bicycle related crashes throughout Florida.

Overview: *On the Road for Safety Program*

What: The *On the Road for Safety Kit* is a portable and sustainable pedestrian and bicycle safety education tool developed for high school students to teach elementary and middle school-aged children safety rules and behaviors they should follow as pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers. The Kit is divided into two sections: one for elementary students and one for middle school students.

Who: Trained Program Coordinators will identify and supervise high school age Teen Health Educators. These may be students in service clubs, health classes, student government and/or elective classes who want meaningful community service and leadership opportunities.

Where: The Kit and additional activities can be implemented in elementary and middle schools, after-school programs, Boys and Girls Clubs, Scout events, church functions and with any other groups working with elementary and middle school-aged students. The Kit and activities can be presented in small group settings or at other events such as school assemblies, Great American Teach In, Open Houses or PTA-sponsored special events.

When: The Program Coordinators will encourage the Teen Health Educators to reach out and coordinate with administrators of local schools, scout groups, youth groups, etc. to schedule presentations. Program Coordinators may also choose to use their personal resources to contact groups or events to schedule a presentation on the Teen Health Educator's behalf.

How: Success starts with the Program Coordinator working with the Teen Health Educators to review the lesson script and the teaching aid in the *On the Road for Safety* Kit. Teen Health Educators will need to practice the lesson script using the teaching aid to help them feel relaxed and confident when presenting to the younger students. Notes and prompts are included in with the teaching aid to help as well. Once the Teen Health Educator has mastered the lesson, it is time for them to schedule and provide the *On the Road for Safety* presentations to elementary and middle school aged students.

How To Get Started: Quick Step Guide

- 1.** Find a youth-chapter advisor, mentor, community group leader, or committed adult to serve as your "Program Coordinator". This is not an easy act! The ideal adult program coordinator candidate will need to have the time to devote toward becoming a trained and willing to mentor you (the "Teen Health Educator") on how to deliver the message to elementary school and middle school students.
- 2.** Once you have identified who will serve as your Program Coordinator, contact Suzanne Gabler at sgabler@morehealthinc.org to schedule training and receive your free *On the Road to Safety* Kit.
- 3.** Now that your Program Coordinator has been identified and trained, you are ready to begin learning your material! Read through the additional documentation in this guide for more information.
- 4.** Once you master the content, you'll be ready to begin scheduling your presentations. With the help of your Program Coordinator, reach out to some of the elementary and middle schools in your area to set up

your *On the Road to Safety* presentation. Use some of the other materials included in this guide to for help with this step!

5. Deliver your presentation!
 6. Report your results using the criteria below and the reporting link.
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Reporting Criteria - Please visit this link to report back on your outreach efforts:

<https://flteensafedriver.org/project-reporting/>

1. Did you implement this project? Yes/No
2. How many elementary school students did you deliver your presentation to?
3. How many middle school students did you deliver your presentation to?
4. Please list all of the schools you presented the *On the Road to Safety* Program

I'm Lost! Who do I contact for more information?

For *On the Road to Safety* program questions, please contact:

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