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Free Child Safety Seat Clinic and Law Change

Each year thousands of young children are killed or injured in car crashes. The proper installation and use of car seats will help keep children safe.

The Beaverton Police Department, in partnership with Safe Kids Coalition Washington County and the Kuni Auto Center, will be offering a free child car seat clinic. The clinic will be held on Saturday, June 17, 2017, at the Kuni Auto Center located at 3275 SW Cedar Hills Blvd. Beaverton Or, 97005. The clinic will run from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

The type of car seat your child needs depends on several things, including your child's age, size and the type of vehicle you have. It is important that you read the owner's manual for your vehicle and the instructions that came with the car seat you purchased.

On May 26, 2017, Governor Kate Brown signed HB3404 into law and it became effective immediately. HB3404 requires that children under two years of age be in a rear-facing child safety seat when traveling in a vehicle. This law replaces the former requirement that children stay rear facing to age one and 20 pounds.

If your child was over the age of one and over 20 pounds as of May 24th, 2017 and was riding forward-facing, they can continue to ride forward-facing. If your child turned one year old on May 25th, 2017 or later, they must follow the new two-year-old rear-facing law. Keeping your child rear facing will greatly decrease the potential for serious injuries as a result of a car crash.

A certified technician will help parents and caregivers learn to install and use their child safety restraints properly. No appointment is required – just drop by during the event. Each car seat check will take about 30 minutes. Please note that the last car will be accepted at 11:30 a.m.

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