



Greater Omaha Chapter

Community Safety Volunteer Registration Fax Back Form

Earn valuable community service hours that will meet your school or other requirements!

When completed, fax it to: (402)896-6331 Attn: Tim Tichy, or e-mail it to: ttichy@safenebraska.org Please provide all the information requested. Once we receive your form we will contact you to work out the details.

Would you be willing to undergo a background check, if requested? Yes No

I need a certificate of my community service hours for my school or agency.

Yes No

I am interested in volunteering for the following:

- Car Seat Check Up Events CycleFest F1RST
- Family Safety Day Seat Belt Check Kidz Explore

I will help with administrative work (mailings, filing ect.) during the work week. Yes No

I am a minor and need my parent or legal guardian to approve of my volunteer registration.

Yes No

I am the parent/legal guardian of (please print child's name) _____
and I give permission for my child to participate as a volunteer as indicated on this form. I am responsible for their behaviors and for their transportation to and from the volunteer opportunity.

Youth Volunteer _____ Adult Volunteer _____

Parent's Name (printed) _____ Parent's Signature _____

Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Email _____ Cell/Pager _____

Thank you for volunteering and taking the time to complete this form.

Kidz Explore (February)

Focus on Families & Fun

“Omaha’s premier winter family event, KidzExplore™, is a fun-filled, family-oriented, two-day celebration. KidzExplore™ has become the largest and coolest children’s festival in the Omaha area.” The Partners for Child Safety present the Safety Club House and the Safety Store where children can tour the house and learn how to stay safe in the home and then visit the Safety Store to spin the quiz wheel to answer a safety question to earn a prize. The event is two days long so you would select the hours that you can help educate the children on safety and have fun handing them prizes.

Car Seat Check Up Events (Held January – October)

Child safety restraints, when used correctly, reduce the risk of death by 71% and the need for hospitalization by 69% for children ages 4 and under. Yet, motor vehicle crashes remain the leading cause of death in the United States.

There are precautionary measures parents can take to ensure that their children are riding safely in vehicles. You can help parents learn how to correctly use car seats, booster seats, and seat belts for their children by helping at a car seat check up event.

CycleFest (Generally the 3rd Sunday in May, noon to 3:00 pm)

“Our goal is to inform, educate, and model safe riding behavior so we can reduce both the emotional and financial loss that occurs from unsafe bicycling practices.” Highlights of the event include a bicycle rodeo, bike helmets for rodeo participants, bike helmet fitting stations, bicycle safety checks, free food and refreshments, and numerous drawings for prizes. As well, kids will learn the basic skills of safe bike riding while in a fun environment.

F1RST (On-Going)

Fall Intervention Reaching Seniors Together

“F1RST- Fall Intervention Reaching Seniors Together” is a community collaborative that seeks to reduce the trauma, injuries and deaths caused by falls in our older population. Statistical evidence predicts that one third of adults over 65 will fall each year. In our area that is at least 24,000 people. Of those who fall, 20 – 30% suffer moderate to severe injuries that reduce mobility and independence and increase the risk of premature death.

Family Safety Day (Generally the first Sunday in October from 11am-3pm.)

Family Safety Day is held in conjunction with Fire Prevention Week generally The goal of *Family Safety Day* is to spread the word about safety, teach fire safety skills and others how and the importance of prevention in avoiding injury and saving lives.

Seat Belt Check “Click It Don’t Risk It” (On-Going)

Volunteer to provide a seat belt check at your school.

- Every 16 minutes, there is a motor vehicle crash in Nebraska.
- 50 people are injured every day in these crashes.
- 1 person dies every 33 hours in motor vehicle crashes here in Nebraska!

One way more than any other will reduce this tragic personal and economic toll of injury and fatality—increase safety belt usage in Nebraska. Safety belts reduce the risk of death or serious injury in a crash by 45-50%.

At the same time that you are fulfilling community service hours, you can also earn Honor Roll recognition for your school or other group.

Simply conduct two unannounced safety belt observational surveys in your parking lots, at least 30 days apart. The results of each survey must show a level of at least 80% of those observed wearing a safety belt.

Steps:

1. Get an observation form either by calling us or downloading it from our website
2. Organize an observation.
3. Share your results, and encourage your group to buckle up.
4. At least 30 days after the initial observation, do it again.
5. If both observations weren't at least 80%, work on educating your group about buckling up and try it again.
6. Fill out an application from our website, and schedule your visit with the governor!

What's in this for me?

- If you're required to earn community service hours, this is a fast and fun way to complete those hours
- You may save lives!
- 2 hours for each observation completed, normally a total of 4 hours
- 1 hour for each percentage point increased between observations, up to 5 hours.
- Your school or group can earn the Nebraska Safety Belt Honor Roll designation

Thank you for volunteering and taking the time to complete this form.