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Wallingford Police Click-it or Ticket Enforcement

Between May 17th and June 6th 2021, members of the Wallingford Police Department Traffic and Patrol Divisions participated in the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation Click-it or Ticket Enforcement Campaign Wave 59. Funding for this effort was made available by the police department's participation in a State of Connecticut Department of Transportation Highway Safety Distracted Driving Grant that supported the staffing necessary to allow officers to specifically dedicate our efforts on seat belt enforcement in a continual endeavor to reduce injuries and fatalities resulting from traffic accidents.

This spring's enforcement effort targeted the areas of: Cook Hill Road @ Tuttle Avenue, Ward Street @ South Colony Road, North Colony Road @ Ives Road, North Colony Road @ South Broad Street, South Colony Road @ Toelles Road, and North Cherry Street @ Hall Avenue and Quinnipiac Street, among others. The following is a synopsis of the citations issued and arrests made during the Click-it or Ticket campaign:

Wallingford Police Officers stopped (123) motor vehicles and cited (99) operators and/or passengers for violations related to their failure to wear a safety belt. Officers also cited or arrested individuals for:

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| (8) Eight | Cellular phone violations |
| (2) Two | Miscellaneous Drug Offenses |
| (4) Four | Operating a M/V w/a Suspended License |
| (4) Four | Uninsured Motorists |
| (3) Three | Speeding Offenses |
| (2) Two | Fugitive Apprehensions |
| (24) Twenty-four | Miscellaneous motor vehicle offenses |

Additionally, warnings were issued for a variety of motor vehicle related offenses.

The Wallingford Police Department would like to remind motorists that buckling up in the front seat of a passenger vehicle can reduce your risk of fatal injury by 45% and moderate to critical injury by 50%. If you buckle up in the front seat of a light truck, you can reduce your risk of fatal injury by 60% and moderate to critical injury by 65%. Please buckle up!

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