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Great Lakes 2023 Speed Awareness Day

Niles, IL – On Wednesday, 7/26/2023 The Niles Police Department will join other Police Departments throughout Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, Ohio, Minnesota, Arkansas, Iowa, Missouri and Nebraska in a combined effort to address excessive speeding on state roadways and the deadly impact speeding has on traffic safety.

Niles PD Chief of Police Luis C. Tigera said, "Reducing vehicle speed on our roadways saves lives."

- Of the 14,898 fatal crashes in the five states that make up NHTSA Region 5, **29.25%** (4,358) were speed related.
 - Slow Down – Arrive Alive. **#nhtsa5speedawarenessday2023**
- According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, a crash on a road with a speed limit of 65mph or greater is more than twice as likely to result in a fatality than a crash on a road with a speed limit of 45 or 50 mph.
 - Stop Speeding before it stops you. **#nhtsa5speedawarenessday2023**
- As your speed increases, so does your stopping distance. At 30 mph, the stopping distance is approximately 110 feet. At 60 mph, the stopping distance is more than 300 feet.
 - It's not a race – Leave some space. **#nhtsa5speedawarenessday2023**
- According to the insurance industry reports, every day in the U.S., approximately 112,000 drivers on average are ticketed for going too fast. That about 41 million speeding tickets a year.
 - Stop the spread of lead foot, Slow Down, Stay Safe. **#nhtsa5speedawarenessday2023**



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