

Village of Bellwood Police Department

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Bellwood Police Plan Click It or Ticket and Drunk Driving Crackdown

The Bellwood Police Department will take part in a yearlong Traffic Safety grant from the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT). The goal of this grant is to reduce fatal and serious injury crashes through additional enforcement of DUI and seatbelt laws.

The 2017 Halloween "Click it or Ticket" safety belt enforcement campaign will kick off October 27th and will continue through November 1st. The Bellwood Police are joining the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), the Illinois State Police, and over 500 local law enforcement agencies across the state to save lives with around-the-clock enforcement of safety belt laws. In addition to the extra seatbelt enforcement, Bellwood Police will also be on the lookout for impaired drivers. The majority of extra enforcement will take place between 11:00 PM and 3 AM, which is the deadliest period of time on Illinois roadways.

Motorists are encouraged to drive safely and buckle up. Anyone who plans to be drinking should make alternate driving arrangements. Residents are also encouraged to contact police if they see a vehicle that appears to be driven by an intoxicated driver.

The Click It or Ticket and Drunk Driving Crackdown is funded by federal traffic safety funds from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and administered through IDOT's Division of Transportation Safety.

