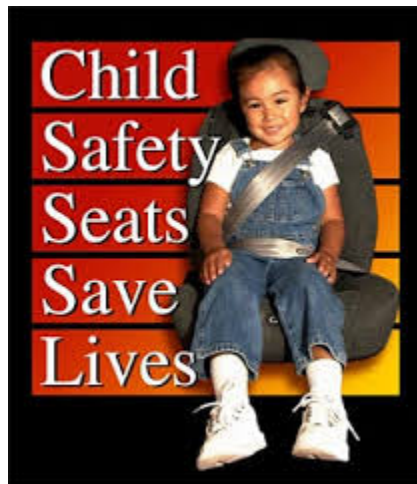


## *Car Seat Installations*

The Operations division has numerous members who are certified car seat technicians. Members are certified through Safe Kids and are available to properly install car seats for the safety of the children of Casper. The program is an asset to the community in that firefighters are available at all hours of the day to assist with car seat installs.



Motor vehicle injuries are a leading cause of death among children in the United States.<sup>1</sup> But many of these deaths can be prevented. Buckling children in age- and size-appropriate car seats, booster seats, and seat belts reduces the risk of serious and fatal injuries:

- Car seat use reduces the risk for death to infants (aged <1 year) by 71%; and to toddlers (aged 1–4 years) by 54% in passenger vehicles.<sup>2</sup>
- Booster seat use reduces the risk for serious injury by 45% for children aged 4–8 years when compared with seat belt use alone.<sup>3</sup>
- For older children and adults, seat belt use reduces the risk for death and serious injury by approximately half.<sup>4</sup>

CDC - Child Passenger Safety Fact Sheet - Motor Vehicle Safety - Injury Center

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**Please contact the Fire Department at 307-235-8222 to see if a car seat technician is available today.**