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Illinois State Police Announce Results of Occupant Restraint Patrol in Cook, DuPage, Lake and Will Counties

Downers Grove, IL – Illinois State Police District 15 Commander Jason Bradley announced today enforcement figures for Occupant Restraint Enforcement Patrols (OREP) conducted during the month of May on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) in DuPage County, the Tri-State Tollway (I-94/I-294/I-80) in Cook and Lake counties and the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) in DuPage and Will counties.

| Violation | Enforcement Activity |
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| Occupant restraint citations | 41 |
| Speeding citations | 34 |
| Distracted driving citations | 12 |
| Speeding written warnings | 14 |
| Total citations issued | 145 |
| Total written warnings issued – all violations | 44 |

In 2018, nearly one in five of the 1,035 people killed in traffic crashes in Illinois were not wearing seatbelts, according to the Illinois Department of Transportation. The goal of the OREP program is to reduce traffic fatalities and serious injuries by strictly enforcing all occupant restraint laws in Illinois. This project is funded through the IDOT Division of Traffic Safety.

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