



CSEA Mission Statement

The mission of CSEA is to promote the prosperity, heritage and leadership of Southeast Asians in RI.

CSEA Vision Statement

Southeast Asians are active participants in the social, civic, and political life of Rhode Island. Our generations work together to preserve the traditions and culture of Southeast Asians, plan for the future, achieve economic prosperity and ultimately enrich our communities.

The Center for Southeast Asians is a welcoming, vibrant and trusted resource for the advancement of the Southeast Asian community. We foster the knowledge and skills necessary to be the leaders of today and tomorrow.

CSEA Guiding Principles

- We are united and grounded by our history and rich traditions and cultures.
- We are committed to the success of our clients, helping them to move ahead. As such, we provide our clients with the skills and knowledge necessary to be self-sufficient and advocates for their own needs.
- We hold the highest standards for performance and integrity.
- We are accountable to our community to produce results.
- We value collaboration and build partnerships to advance our programs and services.

Seat Belt Safety

- Vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death among those age 5-34 in the U.S. (CDC)
- More than 2.3 million adult drivers and passengers were treated in emergency departments as the result of being injured in vehicle crashes in 2009 (CDC)
- Every 12 minutes: someone dies in a car crash in the US. Every 10 seconds: someone is injured in a car crash in the US. (CDC)
- 53% of drivers and passengers killed in car crashes in 2009 were not wearing seat belts. (DOT, NHTSA)
- People not wearing a seat belt are 30 times more likely to be ejected from a vehicle during a crash, and are 75% more likely to die (DOT, NHTSA)
- Among drivers and front-seat passengers, seat belts reduce the risk of death by 45%, and cut the risk of serious injury by 50%. (DOT, NHTSA)
- From 2004 to 2008, seat belts saved over 75,000 lives - enough people to fill a large sports arena. (NHTSA)

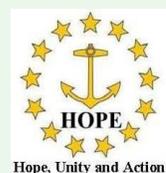
The Primary Seat Belt Law

- Drivers AND passengers must wear their seat belts at all times. (RI DOT)
- Age 7 and below = \$85 ticket per offense (RI DOT)
- Age 8 and older = \$40 ticket per offense (RI DOT)
- The driver is responsible for all offenses (RI DOT)
- Officers must have reasonable suspicion that driver or occupants are not belted (RI DOT)
- Officers CAN NOT search the vehicle, driver, or occupants simply because the driver or occupants are not belted (RI DOT)

In partnership with:



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