WHAT IS BVIPC?

Brazos Valley Injury Prevention Coalition, or BVIPC, is a safe communities coalition to implement and support health initiatives designed to reduce traffic-related injuries and fatalities in the Brazos Valley and ten surrounding counties. In partnership with the Texas Department of Transportation, we conduct programs on Child Passenger Safety, Occupant Protection, Distracted Driving, and Alcohol Awareness.

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REALITY EDUCATION FOR DRIVERS

WHAT IS RED?

Reality Education for Drivers is a one-day, hospital-based injury prevention program targeted to young drivers. Using real-life injury and fatality consequences as a backdrop, the class provides young persons who have exhibited risky behaviors involving alcohol and drugs and motor vehicle operations with impactful and fact-based information to make better choices in the future.

The curriculum is designed to steer young drivers towards safe driving habits and away from getting citations.

RED's primary focus is to reduce the number of motor vehicle crashes involving young, at-risk drivers by encouraging them to drive sober, safely, securely and within the speed limits.

Bottom line, the RED program's ultimate goal is to prevent motor vehicle-related injuries and deaths across the Brazos Valley.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

- Classes are FREE but registration is required.
- Class site is CHI St. Joseph Health Center in Bryan, TX.
- Classes are five hours in length and may count towards community service obligations.
- Designed for young drivers, ages 15-25.
- Parents are welcome. Participants under the age of 18 are encouraged to have a parent or legal guardian accompany them to the entire class.
- The program guides the students through the process of creating personal safety plans.
- Pre- and post-tests gauge program content impact.
- Classes are facilitated by hospital staff and RED program partners.

RED CLASS TOPICS

Impaired Driving
- Dangers of alcohol and drug use while driving
- Punishments and fines

Distracted Driving
- Dangers of using cell phones, GPS and music devices and passenger distractions while driving
- Dangerous consequences

Unrestrained Driving
- Seatbelt Safety
- Consequences of unsafe driving habits

Speeding
- Importance of obeying speed limits
- Punishments and fines

Drowsy Driving
- Dangers of driving while sleepy or fatigued
- Prevention methods