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Shreveport Police will re-hold a seatbelt checkpoint

The Shreveport Police Field Support Bureau/ TRAFFIC Unit will conduct a Seatbelt Checkpoint beginning on January 25th, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. and ending at 8:00 p.m. This checkpoint will target drivers who are not wearing occupant protection devices but is not limited to this offense. This checkpoint will be taking the place of the Scheduled checkpoint on January 18th that was canceled due to weather.

Our city saw 31 traffic accident fatalities in 2022. Shreveport Police Department is working diligently to lower that number. Please drive courteously and remember.... **Seatbelts save lives.**

Funding for the checkpoint is provided by a grant from the Louisiana Highway Safety Commission as part of the continuing effort to help curb the number of those drivers who are not wearing an occupant protection device and take to the streets each year in our area.