

ENFORCEMENT

MA Safe Routes to School Local Law Enforcement How they can help

Local law enforcement officials are key partners in creating Safe Routes to School programs that are effective and sustainable.

✓ How law enforcement agencies can help

- Provide needed enforcement operations for the SRTS program such as speed control, yielding to pedestrians, jaywalking, and driver adherence with daily school drop-off and pick-up procedures.
- Help a local SRTS Task Force assess bicycle and pedestrian safety and personal security around the school and in surrounding neighborhoods.
- Collaborate with the MA Safe Routes to School Outreach Coordinator to provide student Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Education.
- Educate the school community about traffic violations, rules of the road, pedestrian rights, and school zones. Events such as PTA or PTO meetings, or parent teacher conference nights offer a great forum to reach parents and school administrators.
- Monitor adult crossing guards and student safety patrols during school drop-off and afternoon pick-up.
- Offer assistance for parents and school administrators with "stranger danger", neighborhood security or bullying issues that affect the ability of children to walk or bike to school safely.
- Provide daily or periodic police presence during school hours at identified traffic safety or personal security problem areas.



The Milford Police Department participates in a Walkability Assessment.

What a team! MA SRTS partners with the Winchester Police Dept.

The SRTS Outreach Coordinator for Winchester teamed up with Sergeant Thomas Groux of the Winchester Police Department to identify three Remote Drop-Off locations for the McCall Middle School. They surveyed the surrounding area, selected locations, then designated the routes with customized maps and signage provided by the MA SRTS Team. McCall Middle School kicked off their Remote Drop-Off program on International Walk to School Day 2012 and continued to use them throughout the Fall.

Questions? Your SRTS Outreach Coordinator is here to help.

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