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Child Passenger Safety Week is September 18-24, 2022

Huntington Beach, Calif. – During Child Passenger Safety Week, the Huntington Beach Police Department will help parents and caregivers with installing child safety seats.

“We are here to offer parents and caregivers guidance and reassurances that their child is as safe in a car seat as possible while riding in the car,” Huntington Beach Police Department Sergeant Mike Thomas said.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), nearly half of car seats (46%) are misused.

California law requires all children under two years old to ride in a rear-facing car seat unless the child is 40 or more pounds or is 40 or more inches tall. Parents are encouraged to keep their children in the rear and forward-facing seats as long as possible. Children 8 and older, who are at least 4 feet, and 9 inches in height, may ride in the back seat of a vehicle in a properly fitted safety belt.

To search for car seat programs in your county, visit the [OTS website](#). You may also contact your [local CHP Area Office](#) to schedule a free child safety seat inspection.

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