



PRESS RELEASE

- I. DATE OF PRESS RELEASE: January 10, 2012
- II. ANNOUNCEMENT:

Livermore Police Department recognizes community member with “**Saved By The Belt**” Award.

On December 14, 2011, at 11:04 a.m., the Livermore Police Department was advised of an injury collision on Las Positas Road in front of the Target department store. When officers arrived on scene, they found a gray Ford Escape had rolled over and come to rest on its roof. The driver, Anne Quick of San Ramon, was still restrained in the car, hanging from her seatbelt. Mrs. Quick had been driving westbound on Las Positas Road when an errant driver pulled out in front of her from the Target driveway. The force of the two cars colliding sent Mrs. Quick’s car spinning and rolling over. As a result of this collision, Mrs. Quick sustained lacerations and a fractured arm, but escaped major injury because she was using her lap and shoulder belt properly. Had Mrs. Quick not been wearing her seatbelt, she most likely would have been partially or fully ejected and would have sustained major or fatal injuries.

On January 10, 2012, Livermore Police Chief Steve Sweeney recognized Anne Quick with the “**Saved By The Belt**” Award for properly wearing her seatbelt and as a result, avoiding serious injury or death. During this presentation, Anne mentioned that she had been “Saved by the Belt” 13 years earlier when she was a passenger in a van that was hit head-on by a drunk driver. She is a strong proponent of wearing seat belts.

Statistics show that by wearing seatbelts, properly restrained drivers, passengers and children have a 50 percent better chance of surviving a crash than unbelted occupants. Those ejected from vehicles in crashes, or roll-overs, are up to 35 times more likely to die than restrained occupants.

We believe that it is important to recognize our community’s drivers for buckling up properly and avoiding serious injuries.



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