



## Northwest Regional Police Department

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During the afternoon of 26 February 2009, officers of the Northwest Lancaster County Regional Police Department conducted a speed enforcement detail under the "Pennsylvania Aggressive Driving and Education Project". The detail was conducted in an area that the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation identified as being a high crash area. This was the first detail of the year under the "Pennsylvania Aggressive Driving and Education Project" conducted by the Northwest Lancaster County Regional Police Department

During the detail 30 motorists were stopped for driving at a speed that was significantly in excess of the posted speed limit. 27 speeding violations and 2 other violations were filed by officers of the Northwest Regional Police Department.

Under the "Pennsylvania Aggressive Driving and Education Project" the Northwest Lancaster County Regional Police will continue to conduct regular aggressive driving enforcement details. The Northwest Regional Police Department and PENNDOT believe that the long term result of these enforcement details will be a reduction in aggressive driving within the community. A reduction in aggressive driving will correlate with a reduction of injuries and property damage from vehicle crashes. All members and visitors to our community will benefit from the traffic safety improvements resulting from the "Pennsylvania Aggressive Driving and Education Project."

The Northwest Regional Police urge motorists to allow sufficient time to arrive at their destination safely. Often, at this time of the year, driving conditions are not optimal and extra time should be allocated for trips. Posted speed limits are established with consideration to optimal driving conditions. If inclement weather, poor lighting conditions or heavy vehicle and pedestrian traffic are present, speeds should be adjusted accordingly. At all times, motorists and passengers should be in compliance with seat belt and child restraint regulations.

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