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Dear Orange County Safe Communities Partner:

Orange County Safe Communities is pleased to announce the opening of the 2007 mini-grant cycle focusing on injury prevention in Orange County, North Carolina.

Please consider submitting an application to fund an injury prevention project. While all proposals are welcome, we especially encourage those of you who have never filled out a grant application to participate.

To get you excited and thinking about possibilities, we have listed a few project ideas:

- Improve the linguistic accessibility of car seat checkup stations by funding a professional Spanish/English interpreter to work at your weekly car seat checkup stations and sponsor him/her to attend a 2-day Child Passenger Safety class to become familiar with terminology.
- Expand your organization's ability to provide transportation to families with children under 8 by purchasing car seats (convertible and boosters) for use in your existing organizational van or car.
- Upgrade your organization's playground safety equipment.
- Hold a water safety event at your pool.
- Sponsor key members of your organization to get trained in CPR and First Aid (Note: Do not request to fund trainings that are already a staff requirement).

In addition, award recipients from 2006 were: The Orange County Rape Crisis Center, Healthy Carolinians/Orange County Department of Social Services and the Hillsborough Exchange Club.

- Orange County Rape Crisis Center: "Individuals with disabilities outreach project".
- Healthy Carolinians/OCDSS: "Shaken baby education and prevention project"
- Hillsborough Exchange Club: " Child ID day"

Add your own creative ideas! Visit [www.safeorangenc.org](http://www.safeorangenc.org) and click on "Downloads" to access the OCSC mini-grant guidelines and application. You may also contact Angela Carmon with UNC-CH Public Safety/Safe Communities Coordinator for more information via email at [amc@dps.psafety.unc.edu](mailto:amc@dps.psafety.unc.edu).