

RED LIGHT ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM EXPANDS
Another Thirty Day Grace Period Begins for Glendale Motorists

In a continuing effort to reduce collisions and make city streets safer, the City of Glendale will expand its red light photo-enforcement program. On Saturday, May 31st, 2008 cameras and magnetic sensors will begin monitoring the intersection of San Fernando Road and Los Feliz Road.

Staying consistent with the other intersections in the program, a 30-day grace period will begin on May 31st, for this intersection, and actual citations will begin being issued on Monday, June 30th, 2008. The warning notices will explain that at the end of the grace period, actual citations will be sent to violators, who will then be responsible for paying the \$380.00 fine listed on the citation.

Glendale's red light photo-enforcement program has been in operation since February of this year and is currently monitoring three other intersections in the city. The monitoring of the intersections at Mountain Street / Verdugo Road and Colorado Street / Pacific Avenue began on February 29th. The intersection of Glendale Avenue / Broadway began being monitored on March 12th.

"We hope here in Glendale that this system will reduce the number of traffic collisions and enhance traffic safety for the public," said Lieutenant Carl Povilaitis, program manager for the new safety initiative. "It is important to us that all Glendale drivers know we're using photo enforcement and that they have time to learn about this new safety program."

A total of 7.3 percent of traffic collisions in Glendale were caused by red light violations in 2007. Many of these collisions resulted in injuries to people in one or more of the vehicles involved. The potential for serious injuries is much higher because of the speed at which vehicles are traveling while passing through red lights.

Glendale's red light photo enforcement program is being administered by Redflex Traffic Systems, Inc., but the system itself is controlled and supervised by the Glendale Police Department's Traffic Bureau. More information regarding the photo-enforcement program can be obtained by visiting the city's website at <http://www.ci.glendale.ca.us/police/RedLightPhotoEnforcementSystem.asp>

When: Saturday May 31st, 2008 at 12:00 am
Where: San Fernando Road and Los Feliz Road

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