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***Westfield Police Department Launches Traffic Unit  
Mayor Andy Cook Focuses on Safe City Initiative***

**Westfield, IN-** The Westfield Police Department purchased two unmarked Mustangs in an effort to target traffic enforcement. The traffic unit will dedicate all of their time to patrolling Westfield streets.

“By purchasing these unmarked Mustangs, we will be able to target two areas that have been difficult for officers to effectively patrol,” explains Westfield Police Chief Joel Rush. “The traffic unit will be able to blend in and target offenders in neighborhoods as well as target aggressive drivers on U.S. 31. Aggressive drivers are the cause of accidents and the city is focused on keeping our citizens safe.”

Chief Rush started focusing on traffic enforcement in recent years, as Westfield’s population started to quickly grow. The efforts of the Westfield Police Department has shown a significant impact on traffic accidents.

The newly formed traffic unit is part of Mayor Andy Cook’s focus of safe city. Chief Rush will be participating in *Your Safety Matters*, short video segments that will give residents tips on how to stay safe.

“These short videos will help keep citizens informed of the latest criminal trends and how they can stay one step ahead of them,” explains Mayor Andy Cook. “We’re proud of the work our police department has done to keep Westfield a safe city, but we know as more people move here, more crime will follow and we want our citizens to always be prepared.”

Please follow the link below to watch *Your Safety Matters*.

<http://on.fb.me/1BGM68S>

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