

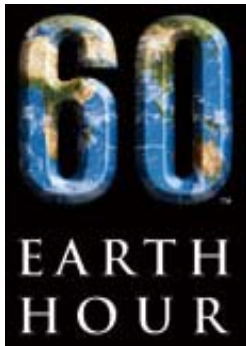


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### We Support Chicago's Earth Hour 2009

Participate this year by turning off your lights at 8:30 p.m. CST on Saturday, March 28, 2009.

Last year more than 2.7 million people in Chicagoland turned off their lights.

A reported electricity savings of 7 percent—equal to planting 158 acres of trees—was realized.

For more information on [Earth Hour](#).

### Ready for Tax Day? I-PASS Can Help I-PASS account history immediately accessible

Log in to your I-PASS Account to access a variety of transaction reports. These reports provide account history and can be used when itemizing expenses on your tax return. In addition, commercial accounts can generate reports that break out expenses for each fleet vehicle.



Access information 24/7:

- **Payment/Adjustment History Report** displays your history of adding funds to your account; transaction dates, amounts and times are indicated.
- **Account Summary Report** provides a complete listing of transponder usage, payments and adjustments for a specific time period. All transponders registered to the account will be included.
- **Account Downloads**, available in a CSV file format, provide a comprehensive look at daily account activity for each transponder (in a specific time period) including date, location, time and amount.

[Log in to your I-PASS Account](#)

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### Spring Construction: What, Where and When Good News—Rebuild & Widen efforts complete by end of 2009

Roadwork has resumed to complete our Rebuild & Widen projects, part of the \$6.3 billion Congestion-Relief Program – *Open Roads for a Faster Future*.



How will this affect your commute? Check our spring construction schedule below as we wrap up projects to rebuild 50-year-old pavement and add additional lanes to reduce congestion.

 **TRI-STATE TOLLWAY (I-94/I-294/I-80)**

**South Tri-State:** *Northbound* traffic between 159th Street and 95th Street will shift into a construction Express Lane configuration in April through mid-summer.

**Central Tri-State:** *Southbound* traffic has shifted into an Express Lane configuration from Touhy Avenue to Balmoral Avenue through late 2009. Access to I-90 is prohibited from the Express Lane.

**North Tri-State:** *Northbound* traffic has shifted to a construction Express Lane configuration between Dempster Street and Lake Cook Road and between Half Day Road and Grand Avenue through late 2009. Access to some exits is prohibited from the Express Lane.

 **JANE ADDAMS MEMORIAL TOLLWAY (I-90)**

Construction continues at the Cherry Valley Interchange at I-39. The ramp from westbound I-90 to southbound I-39/U.S. Route 51 is closed through fall for reconstruction. A detour is in place.

*Westbound* between Newburg Road and the South Beloit Toll Plaza has work underway.

*Eastbound* traffic from Newburg Road to the South Beloit Toll Plaza is reduced to two lanes to accommodate median work.

 **REAGAN MEMORIAL TOLLWAY (I-88)**

Demolition of the existing westbound Fox River Bridge is underway.

*Westbound* traffic will shift to the eastbound side of the road between Orchard Road and IL Route 31 in April.

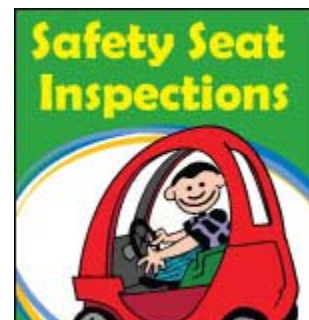
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## 80% of Car Seats Are Not Properly Installed

Let us check yours

Illinois State Police District 15 and the Illinois Tollway have launched the 2009 Child Safety Seat Inspection Program. Last year certified child seat technicians checked nearly 700 child safety seats at more than 20 events. Let us help keep your kids safe by installing or inspecting your child safety seat or booster.



**Timely dates and locations:**

April 4–Schaumburg Babies R Us  
May 9–Naperville Babies R Us

[Visit our Website for more information and to find an event in your neighborhood.](#)

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