Make your Favorite Crossing Guard America’s Favorite

Safe Kids Worldwide has teamed up with FedEx for the third year to sponsor America’s Favorite Crossing Guard.

Coalitions, parents, caregivers and the general public may nominate a crossing guard to be America’s Favorite Crossing Guard.

Coalitions that nominate a crossing guard will receive a $100 grant (maximum one per coalition).

Nominations must include a photo of the crossing guard and text on why this person is deserving of this honor. Nominations will close on November 14.

Then, it’s up to YOU to vote for your favorite crossing guard. You may vote once a day from November 19th through November 30th.

After voting closes, a judging panel will review the top five crossing guards and choose a winner. Safe Kids Worldwide will visit the winning school to celebrate with a pep rally and celebration. The winning crossing guard will receive a prize up to $500 assist with keeping kids safe on their way to school.

This year, Safe Kids Worldwide with support from FedEx will award the top three schools monetary prizes in the following amounts:

- Winning school: $10,000
- 2nd place school: $7,500
- 3rd place school: $5,000

To nominate a crossing guard click here. There you will complete the nomination form, as well as submit an image of the crossing guard.

For more information please contact Kristin Rosenthal at krosenthal@safekids.org.
**Buckle Up Bug**

The Buckle Up Bug is available for all Safe Kids Coalitions and community organizations to rent for their upcoming safety or health fair, education event, or community gathering. You can reserve the Buckle Up Bug by calling 1-800-KID-N-CAR. A $10 fee is required. For more information please click [here](#).

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**Save The Date:**

**PrevCon 2019**

Childhood Injury Prevention Convention  
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**Submit Abstracts for PrevCon 2019**

Safe Kids Worldwide has released a call for abstracts for PrevCon 2019. They are inviting abstracts focusing on lessons learned through implementing proven and practical programs and strategies aimed at making children safe at home, at play and on the way, including creative and effective ways to reach vulnerable populations. In addition, Safe Kids welcomes abstracts that describe strategies for building coalition capacity, advocacy skills, strengthen communication, developing fundraising support and measuring impact of prevention efforts. The deadline to submit abstracts is **Friday November 30, 2018**.

Applicants will be notified via mail by February 1, 2019 if their abstract has been accepted. If accepted the presenter is required to register for the conference by March 1, 2019.

Contact Morag MacKay, Director of Research at Safe Kids Worldwide, via email: mmackay@safekids.org.

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**Indiana Safe Kids Coalitions**

- Allen  
- Bartholomew  
- Delaware  
- Elkhart  
- Greater Lafayette  
- Harrison  
- Indianapolis  
- Johnson  
- Monroe  
- Northwest Indiana  
- St. Joseph  
- Vanderburgh/Warrick  
- Vigo  
- Wayne

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**UPCOMING SAFETY OBSERVANCES**

**NOVEMBER**  
- Awareness Week, 11/5-11/11  
- America's Favorite Crossing Guard Contest Nominations through, 11/14  
- World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims Day 11/17

**DECEMBER**  
- Holiday Safety Month  
- Safe Toys & Gifts Month

**JANUARY**  
- Safe Sleep Month  
- Winter Sports Safety Month