

**MOTOR VEHICLE CRASHES ARE THE LEADING
CAUSE OF DEATH IN PEOPLE AGES 15 TO 20
YEARS OLD!!!**

- **SPEED AND / OR ALCOHOL ARE THE TWO LEADING CONTRIBUTING FACTORS IN THESE DEATHS**
- **IN 2003 - 3,657 DRIVERS AGE 15 – 20 DIED IN CAR CRASHES AND ANOTHER 308,000 WERE INJURED**
- **IN 2003 - 15 TO 20 YEAR OLD DRIVERS WERE INVOLVED IN CAUSING THE DEATH OF OTHER AGED PERSONS 4,227 TIMES**
- **65% OF TEEN PASSENGER DEATHS OCCUR WHEN ANOTHER TEEN IS DRIVING THE CAR**
- **ABOUT 30% OF CRASHES KILLING YOUNG DRIVERS INVOLVE ALCOHOL**
- **IN 74% OF THESE FATAL CRASHES, THE VICTIM WAS NOT WEARING THEIR SEAT BELT**
- **IN 2003 - THE TOTAL NUMBER OF MOTOR VEHICLE RELATED FATALITIES IN THE U.S. WAS 42,884**
- **YOUNG DRIVERS ARE INVOLVED IN FATAL TRAFFIC COLLISIONS AT OVER TWICE THE RATE AS THE REST OF THE POPULATION**

THINK IT CANNOT HAPPEN TO YOU???

3,657 OF YOUR PEERS MISTAKINGLY THOUGHT THE SAME IN 2003