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**News Release**

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**Car Seat Mini-Grant Program Available Through Dougherty County Health Department**

Albany, GA - Families in Dougherty County have access to the Car Seat Mini-Grant program, thanks to the collaborative efforts of the Southwest Health District and its partners. The program, funded by the Georgia Department of Public Health, Injury Prevention Program, aims to provide car seats and education to financially eligible families across several counties in the Southwest Health District, including Dougherty County.

The Dougherty County Health Department, located at 1710 S. Slappey Blvd. Albany, GA 31701, offers the Car Seat Mini-Grant program to assist families in ensuring the safety of their children while traveling in motor vehicles. Financially eligible families can avail themselves of this program by contacting the Dougherty County Health Department at (229) 638-6424.

The Southwest Health District offers education on proper car seat installation and usage, conducts car seat inspections, and provides car seats and booster seats to financially eligible families. This initiative extends its reach to support more than 113 counties in Georgia, ensuring that families receive the necessary resources to secure their children safely in vehicles.

For more information about the car seat program or to determine eligibility, residents are encouraged to contact the Dougherty County Health Department at (229) 638-6424. For inquiries regarding other counties involved in the program, please reach out to the Georgia Department of Public Health's Child Occupant Safety Project via email at [injury@dph.ga.gov](mailto:injury@dph.ga.gov).

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