#### RED LIGHT CAMERAS: MYTHS VS. FACTS

**Red light** Red light cameras do not capture the **enforcement** speed of a vehicle. A red light **cameras and speed** camera (or red light enforcement **cameras are the** camera) is a type of traffic enforcement same. camera that captures an image of a vehicle if it has entered an intersection in spite of the traffic signal indicating red/stop. By automatically photographing vehicles that run red lights (or fail to make a complete stop before making a right turn), the municipality secures evidence that assists authorities in their enforcement of traffic laws

violations are considered "moving violations" that will affect a person's driving record.

**Red light camera** Violations are considered "non-moving violations" and do not affect a person's driving record

be issued.

**If the driver enters** If a driver enters the intersection when **theintersectionwhen** the light is green or yellow, NO "Notice the light is green or of Violation" will issue. It is legal to clear **yellow, a red light** the intersection if one is already in the camera violation will intersection when the light turns red.

**All red light photo** No. There are several companies that **enforcement** provide red light running photo enforce**systems are owned** ment systems to municipalities across **and operated by the** the United States and internationally. same company. Each company operates in a manner that is independent of the other and is directed by the municipality it serves.

issued.

**If a driver stops the** Not so. As of January 2011, the Illinois **vehicle past the** legislature passed a bill that precludes white stop bar a red any municipality from issuing a citation if **light camera** a vehicle comes to a complete stop even **violation will be** if that stop is after the white stop bar.

We ask for your continued understanding and cooperation as we move forward with the implementation of a red light camera program in Oakbrook Terrace.

Remember, red light camera programs only cost the drivers WHO BREAK THE LAW; without cameras in place, the cost could be your life.

> Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to the Oakbrook Terrace Police Department at (630) 941-8230.

OAKBROOK TERRACE WELCOMES

## **RED LIGHT CAMERAS**





CITY OF OAKBROOK TERRACE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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# CHOOSE SAFETY, STOP ON RED.

The Oakbrook Terrace Police Department is committed to enforcing traffic laws within the city boundaries.

Unfortunately, we do not have the ability to patrol busy intersections without putting our officers in harm's way.

However, we live in a world in which we have come to embrace the use of advanced technology to support our efforts. To that end, we are able to use the red light camera system to operate and capture on film those who violate the traffic laws in our community 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Using this type of photo-enforcement tool gives our police officers a greater opportunity to focus their attention on resident needs and concerns as well as other emergency situations.

Thank you for your support of the men and women who protect our community.

A MESSAGE FROM THE OAKBROOK TERRACE POLICE DEPARTMENT

## 10 RED LIGHT CAMERAS FACTS AND DRIVING SAFETY

- 01 Red light cameras save lives
- Red light camera programs cost ONLY those who BREAK THE LAW
- Motorists are more likely to be injured in urban crashes involving red light running than in any other type of motor vehicle accident
- The goal of a red light camera enforcement system is to improve public safety for drivers and pedestrians
- Red light cameras help reduce fatalities and injury-related car crashes at intersections
- Red light cameras help reinforce safe driver behavior
- Red light cameras allow police officers more time for community policing
- Red light camera violations do not affect a person's driving record
- Red light camera violations are considered "non-moving" violations and are issued to the registered owner of the vehicle, regardless of who committed the violation
- Before a violation is issued and mailed out, video of the possible violation has been reviewed by municipal law enforcement personnel and support technicians at least four times

### WHY RED LIGHT CAMERAS IN OAKBROOK TERRACE?

#### THEY SAVE LIVES

The 2016 Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) study demonstrates that red light cameras not only reduce fatal red light related crashes but all types of crashes. This nationwide study spans across 117 major U.S. cities over the duration of 12-plus years. It is the first and largest study to examine the effects of terminating red light camera programs. Not surprisingly, the results show that crashes increase again when cameras are deactivated.



In cities that **turned on** red light cameras



In cities that turned off red light cameras

**21%** FEWER

fatal red light running crashes per capita

14% FEWER



16% MORE

fatal red light running

tatal crashes of all types per capita at signalized intersections

source: Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, Effects of Turning On and Off Red Light Cameras on Fatal Crashes in Large U.S. Cities July 2016 Report

#### LOCATION OF CAMERAS ROUTE 83 AND 22ND ST

