

**June is National Safety Month with June 2-8 being National Trailer Safety Week and June 6 Secure Your Load Day.**

Many of us will be taking to the road for travel or picking up items at our local stores in the coming months and our CERT volunteers will be dealing with trailer loads as we do exercises.

From 2011 to 2014, 500 people were killed and 39,000 injured by road debris some of which came of vehicles transporting items.

As we travel on vacation or from the local store, please ensure that loads in the trunk, trailer or on the vehicle roof are properly anchored. What you think is enough rope may be fine when parked but the forces of driving add extra stress to the rope or tie downs causing them to break. Objects may shift and even fly onto the road or thru your vehicle. Also, properly mark anything extending beyond your vehicle.

When loading the HALs and other trailers we CERT uses, please be sure items are secured as at any time those storage units could need to be moved even if just around the county property. No one wants to open the door and have items fall on them or have items damaged in transit.

Have a safe and SECURE summer.