

By honoring those whose lives have been

SAVED BY THE HELMET



Saved By The Helmet, we strive to educate and encourage others to use their safety helmets.

Club

Have you escaped injury or death by wearing your safety helmet while bicycling, in-line skating or riding a scooter?

If you have, we invite you to join the **Saved by the Helmet Club!**

Complete the membership application and tell us how your safety helmet saved you from serious injury, and you can become a member of this safety-wise group of bicyclists, in-line skaters and scooter riders.

As a member, you will receive:

- A FREE membership in the **Saved by the Helmet Club**
- A personalized membership certificate
- A **Saved by the Helmet Club** t-shirt

To qualify: you must be a bicyclist, in-line skater or scooter rider who at any time has escaped serious head injury, brain injury or death in a crash or fall by wearing your helmet. You can also become a member by being recommended by medical personnel, law enforcement officials or another person familiar with the circumstances of your crash.

**Important
Bicycle, In-Line
Skating and Scooter
Injury Facts**

- Approximately 2,000 NYS residents are hospitalized for bicycle-related injuries and approximately 55 deaths are reported each year.
- Between 1999 and 2003, 44 people were killed while in-line skating in the U.S. Of all those who died, 54% sustained injuries to the head.
- Over two-thirds of in-line skating deaths were among children 5-14 years of age.
- U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission data show that there have been 40,500 scooter-related injuries treated in emergency departments in 2000, and five deaths have occurred in 2000-2001.
- Studies have shown that safety helmets can reduce the risk of head injury by 85% and the risk of brain injury by 88%.

**Fill out your membership application today!!
Let other people know about the Club!!**

Although the NYS “Saved by the Helmet” Club was created for bicyclists, in-line skaters and scooter riders, we recognize the importance of many other types of helmets (i.e., equestrian, skiing, construction)! Please feel free to send us your story if you were saved by another kind of helmet, and we will make you a member of the Club.

The Saved by the Helmet Club is sponsored by the New York State Department of Health's Bureau of Injury Prevention, the Brain Injury Association of New York State and the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee.