Sheriff Prator offers specialized driver training to churches and non-profits

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Drivers who operate passenger vans for churches and non-profit organizations can now receive specialized training in the safe handling of their vehicle, said Caddo Sheriff Steve Prator.

â€œThese drivers, most of whom are volunteers, are often asked to transport children or other Caddo Parish citizens to events, camps, social functions, and clinics. We want to make sure each driver is properly trained and equipped to handle this responsibility so everyone arrives at their destination safely," Prator said.

The course was developed at the Sheriff's request by instructors with the Caddo Sheriff's Regional Training Academy. It covers specifics of defensive driving for operators of passenger vans.

The course includes classwork and a driving course. Students who wish to participate in the driving portion must bring their own van.

The course will be conducted from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, June 30, at the Sheriffâ€™s Training Academy, 15639 Highway One South. It is free to all churches and non-profit agencies in the area. Pre-registration is required, and Caddo Parish residents will be given priority.

Call Deputy Andrea Samuel at 681-0735 for more information.