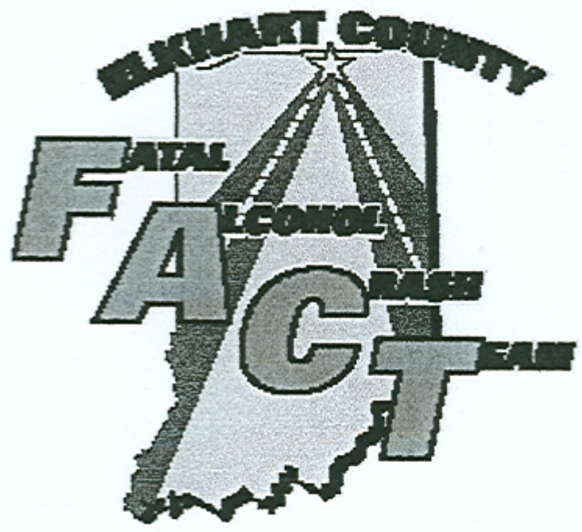

The Fatal Alcohol Crash Team (FACT) is a grant-driven program sponsored by the Elkhart County Prosecutors Office. The grant is funded through the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute.

FACT consists of three teams and one supervising coordinator, who handle the investigations; and two attorneys in the Prosecutor's office who handle the prosecution. The three teams each have a Team Leader and four/five members who are specially trained for investigating crash scenes and who use special equipment to reconstruct an accident. They are all working members of the Elkhart County Sheriff's Department, Wakarusa Police Department, Middlebury Police Department and Nappanee Police Department. The teams have a rotating callout schedule for the entire grant year.

The reports generated by the investigating teams are turned over to the two attorneys in the Prosecutor's office for review and if determined appropriate, prosecution of a case.

NUMBER OF FACT CALL OUT INVESTIGATIONS

Grant Year 10-1-07 to 9-30-08

CALL OUTS	HOURS	FATAL INJURY	SERIOUS BODILY INJURY
41	641	22	19

Grant Year 10-1-08 to 9-30-09

CALL OUTS	HOURS	FATAL INJURY	SERIOUS BODILY INJURY
25	485.5	10	15