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## Stephen Suzuki features SX4

Stephen Suzuki in Bristol is not your ordinary car dealership. Nestled in the back of Stephen Automall, there are certainly plenty of new and used cars one can choose from.

One of the options is the SX4, which comes in three styles: the SX4 Crossover (SUV), the SX4 Sedan, and the SX4 Sport.

According to [www.suzukiauto.com](http://www.suzukiauto.com), the SX4 Crossover is "The most affordable and fuel efficient AWD drive in the United States," and was Kelley Blue Book's "Coolest New Car Under \$18,000 for 2008." The SX4 Sport was named one of Consumer Guide's Best Buys for 2008.

To name just a few of the SX4's features would be nearly impossible since it has a vast array of modern day features and options available.

"It comes in FWD or AWD, it has dual front air bags and side impact airbags built into the seat, full side curtain airbags from the front to the rear, rollover protection, a TRIP navigation system (Travel, Real-time traffic, Information and Play) and Bluetooth capabilities so you can answer and make

phone calls right through the system," said Efran Rivera, a sales associate at Stephen Suzuki. "You can download your mp3s right to the navigation system as well (cd player will read your mp3 files or wma files and you can put them on disc). It also comes with 16" or 17" alloy wheels and full tumble rear seats so you can really increase the cargo area."

According to Rivera, the engine has a 2.0-liter 4-cylinder engine, 143 hp and 136 lb.-ft of torque. Options now available are: fog lights, a 9-speaker audio system with a subwoofer, as well as a 6-disc in dash changer.

The SX4 Sport is lowered 10mm and has a sport tuned suspension.

As far as gas mileage, the SX4 Crossover and the SX4 Sport get about 22/30 mpg, and the SX4 Sedan 23/31 mpg.

If one was wondering about a warranty, Suzuki offers America's #1 Warranty which is 100,000 miles or 7 years (whichever comes first) Powertrain Limited Warranty.

"It is fully transferable, and there is no deductible, so if you bought it and in a year you decided to sell it to your

sister the warrantee automatically follows the car," said Rivera. "We are not like other companies where they void the warrantee after the original owner sells it."

Founded in 1909, Suzuki is the 12 largest automobile manufacturer in the world by production volume.

"Suzuki started as a loom company then they started building motor bikes, where they put motors on regular bicycles and then from there they went to motorcycles. From motorcycles they came out with cars," said Rivera.

"Suzuki is the only car company that has been profitable since 1955, and has been a staple in the community for 50 years," Rivera added.

Opening its doors in 1986, Stephen Suzuki in Bristol has been successful in the car business for 23 years.

"Stephens is the oldest Suzuki dealership in New England," said Joe Richards, sales manager for the company.

Stephen Suzuki invites the community to come down and test-drive a vehicle.

They are located at 1075 Farmington Avenue in Bristol, behind Stephen Automall.



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Pictured here is the SX4 Crossover. In front, from left, are Sales Associates Efran Rivera, Steven Moore and Jay Wanczyk.

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