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Dublin Police Services Receives Traffic Education and Enforcement Grant

Dublin, Calif. – Traffic safety is the focus of a grant recently awarded to Dublin Police Services. The \$62,500 grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) will assist in Dublin Police efforts to reduce deaths and injuries on Dublin roads.

“With an ever increasing number of cars on our roadways these days, now more than ever, it is important that we are at the forefront of traffic safety,” said Dublin Police Captain Nate Schmidt. “This funding allows us to educate and enhance the safety of all residents. Being awarded this OTS grant will ensure our community remains safe on the roadways and continues to provide the best service to our community.”

The one-year grant is for the 2021 federal fiscal year, which runs from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021.

The grant will fund a variety of traffic safety programs, including:

- Patrols with emphasis on alcohol- and drug-impaired driving prevention.
- Patrols with emphasis on awareness and education of California’s hands-free cell phone law.
- Patrols with emphasis on education of traffic rights for bicyclists and pedestrians.

- Patrols with emphasis on awareness and education of primary causes of crashes: excess speed; failure to yield, failure to stop at stop signs/signals, and improper turning/lane changes.
- Community education presentations on traffic safety issues such as distracted driving; DUI; speed; and bicycle and pedestrian safety.
- Collaborative efforts with neighboring agencies on traffic safety priorities.
- Officer training and/or recertification: Standard Field Sobriety Test (SFST), Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE), and Drug Recognition Expert (DRE).

“Through education and behavioral changes, we hope to create an environment that is safe and equitable for all road users in our community,” said Captain Schmidt.

Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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