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RE: Sheriff's Office Traffic Grant Funds Status

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The Oregon State Sheriff's Association, through the Oregon Department of Transportation, awarded the Klamath County Sheriff's Office grant funds for traffic safety during 2017-18 totaling **\$8,500**. The grant is being used to increase traffic enforcement with focused patrols for Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants (DUII) and Safety Belt violations during the below specified events.

DUII High Visibility Enforcement Events

Grant Amount = **\$5,000**

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| • Christmas 2017/New Year's 2018 | 12/13/2017-1/1/2018 – COMPLETED |
| • Super Bowl | 2/4/2018 – COMPLETED |
| • St. Patrick's Day | 3/17/2018 – COMPLETED |
| • Memorial Day | 5/26-28/2018 – COMPLETED |
| • Independence Day | 7/4-8/2018 – COMPLETED |
| • Klamath County Fair | 8/2-5/2018 – SCHEDULED |
| • Labor Day | 8/17-9/3/2018 – SCHEDULED |

Independence Day Weekend Statistics (7/4-8/2018):

- 20 Hours of Grant Overtime
- 3 Deputies
- 1 DUII Arrest
- 3 Citations
- 30+ Contacts and Warnings

In addition to grant-funded activities, during the same time period Patrol Deputies:

- Responded to over 550 Calls for Service
- Took 54 Cases with an additional:
 - 5 DUII Arrests
 - 2 BUII (Boating Under the Influence) Arrests

Safety Belt Blitz Periods

Grant Amount = **\$3,500**

- Blitz #1 - COMPLETED 2/5-18/2018 – COMPLETED
 - *Emphasis: Belts / Child Restraints, Texting and Speed*
- Blitz #2 5/14-27/2018 – COMPLETED
 - *Emphasis: Night Time / Daytime Belts, Minors in Open Pickup Beds, Click It or Ticket Mobilization*
- **Blitz #3 8/20-9/2/2018 – SCHEDULED**
 - *Emphasis: Child Seats / Fitting Station Referrals, Texting and Speed*

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