

Grant Award Summary

2018 WI DOT BOTS Milwaukee University Area Impaired Driving (OWI) Taskforce Grant

Grant Type: New Grant

Grantor: Bureau of Transportation Safety (BOTS)

Grant Period: October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018

Award Amount: \$110,000 (\$80,000 MPD, \$15,000 UWM-PD, \$15,000 MU-PD).

Match Required: 25% local match (\$27,500).

Fiscal Agent: Milwaukee Police Department (MPD)

MPD Sub-Awardee: N/A

Allocation Purpose: To decrease instances of impaired driving.

Partners: University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Police Department (UWM-PD) and Marquette University Police Department (MU-PD).

Research & Evaluation: Through the monitoring of activity reports, citations, warnings, and citizen contacts.

Program Goals

To decrease targeted driving violations, related crashes, and to increase voluntary compliance with traffic regulations thereby decreasing fatalities and serious injury collisions by way of a proactive and highly visible enforcement effort.

Programmatic Summary

High Visibility Enforcement (HVE) deployments are pre-determined and advertised to the public through press releases and media contacts to make the public aware of these enforcement deployments, with an intended effect to gain the motoring public's voluntary compliance and raise individual awareness of the hazards and penalties surrounding non-compliance with traffic safety laws. Sworn personnel in HVE deployments saturate pre-selected geographic areas determined to be advantageous in the detection of targeted violations.

During the course of the grant campaign, grantees must perform enforcement between the hours of 6:00 pm and 4:30 am. Grantee agrees to implement 61 deployments for a total of 2,000 enforcement hours.

The campaign has a zero-tolerance approach for the following violations: Operating while under the influence of alcohol or drugs and seatbelt restraint violations.

Data

In 2016, the State of Wisconsin reported alcohol as a contributing factor in 4% of all crashes. In 2016, 24% of all vehicle crash fatalities in Wisconsin were alcohol-related, resulting in 143 fatalities. In 2016, the city of Milwaukee had 14,576 traffic crashes that resulted in 57 fatalities. In 2017 YTD (October 2nd), the city of Milwaukee reported 10,506 crashes, resulting in 4,512 injuries and 47 fatalities. Of the 10,506 crashes, 281 were OWI related and there were three (3) reported fatalities. In total, for the City of Milwaukee in 2017, 537 citations were issued for OWI.