

Grant Award Summary

2019 WI DOT BOTS Impaired Driving (OWI) Task Force Grant

Grant Type: Continuation Grant

Grantor: Bureau of Transportation Safety (BOTS)

Grant Period: October 1, 2018 - September 30, 2019

Award Amount: \$169,840 (\$80,000 MPD, \$80,000 MCSO, \$9,840 UWM-PD)

Match Required: None

Fiscal Agent: Milwaukee Police Department (MPD)

MPD Sub-Awardee: N/A

Allocation Purpose: To decrease instances of impaired driving.

Partners: Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) and University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Police Department (UWM-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.

This Grant Project aims to develop a multi-jurisdictional Traffic Safety task force geared towards decreasing traffic crashes and obtaining voluntary compliance with traffic regulations. 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, there was a total of 16,660 crashes in Milwaukee with a total of 59 fatalities. Of these accidents, 405 were alcohol-involved crashes, resulting in 6 fatalities, and 80 were drug-involved crashes, resulting in 16 fatalities. In 2017, there was a total of 16526 crashes resulting in 70 fatalities. Of these accidents, 503 were alcohol-involved crashes, resulting in 8 deaths, and 161 were drug-involved, resulting in 5 deaths. As of December 5, 2018, there was a total of 15478 crashes in Milwaukee, resulting in 48 deaths. There were 480 alcohol-involved crashes, resulting in 8 deaths, there were 139 drug-involved, resulting in 3 deaths.