MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

GRANT AWARD NUMBER GR0002100000

Grant Award Summary

COUNCIL FILE NO: N/A

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2021 Pedestrian Enforcement Grant

Grant Type: Continuation Grant

Grantor: Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Division of State Patrol, Bureau of Transportation Safety (BOTS)

Grant Period: April I, 2020 - September 30, 2021

Award Amount: \$124,950 (\$99,960 from Grantor, \$24,990 from City)

Match Required: \$24,990

Fiscal Agent: Milwaukee Police Department (MPD)

MPD Sub-Awardee: N/A

Allocation Purpose: To reimburse the cost of overtime hours stemming from officers deployed for purposes relating to the Traffic Safety Task Force.

Partners: N/A

Research & Evaluation: MPD will oversee deployment dates and activities.

Program Goals

The aim of this grant is to decrease pedestrian/motor vehicle crashes by decreasing the incidence of 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. The most common pedestrian crashes are often due to inattentive motorists and pedestrians. Through a zero-tolerance approach, the Traffic Safety Task Force aims to increase awareness and reduce deaths in Milwaukee.

Programmatic Summary

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Division of State Patrol, Bureau of Transportation Safety (BOTS) authorizes MPD to organize and maintain a multi-jurisdictional Traffic Safety Task Force. The Task Force is geared towards a High Visibility Enforcement (HVE) effort focused on decreasing traffic crashes and obtaining voluntary compliance with traffic regulations. Specific violations to be targeted include the following: failure to yield to pedestrians/bicyclists in crosswalks; yellow and red stop light violations; failure to maintain safe passing distance of bicyclists; turning maneuvers; and pedestrian/bicyclist violation of traffic control signals. The Task Force will focus on the three most problematic intersections in their jurisdiction to reduce crashes.