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Beverly Hills Police Department Awarded Grant from the OTS

Beverly Hills, *Calif.* – The safety of everyone traveling is the focus of a grant awarded to the Beverly Hills Police Department. The \$92,000 grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) will assist the Beverly Hills Police Department's efforts to reduce deaths and injuries on Beverly Hills roads.

"These are trying times, and now more than ever, it is important that we are at the forefront of traffic safety," Beverly Hills Police Department Police Chief Dominick Rivetti said. "This funding allows us to educate and enhance the safety of all residents."

The one-year grant is for the 2022 federal fiscal year, which runs from Oct. 1, 2021 to Sept. 30, 2022.

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, improper turning/lane changes.
- Community education presentations on traffic safety issues such as distracted driving, DUI, speed, bicycle and pedestrian safety.

"Through education and behavior changes, we hope to create an environment that is safe and equitable for all road users in our community," Chief Rivetti said.

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



