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BURBANK POLICE AWARDED \$78,500 GRANT FROM THE CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY

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Burbank, California – The safety of everyone traveling upon our roadways is the focus of a grant awarded to the Burbank Police Department by the California Office of Traffic Safety. The grant, awarded in the amount of \$78,500, will assist in our efforts to reduce traffic-related deaths and injuries in the City of Burbank.



“All aspects of traffic safety and enforcement in the City of Burbank are a concern to the BPD,” said Burbank Chief of Police Scott LaChasse. “This funding allows us to educate the citizens in our community and create an environment that is safe and equitable for everyone on our roadways.”

The one-year grant is for the 2021 federal fiscal year, which runs from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021.

The grant will fund a variety of traffic safety programs, including:

- Patrols and checkpoints with an emphasis on alcohol and drug-impaired driving prevention.
- Patrols with an emphasis on awareness and education of California’s hands-free cell phone law.
- Patrols with an emphasis on education of traffic rights of bicyclists and pedestrians.
- Patrols with an emphasis on safety and laws pertaining to motorcyclists.
- Patrols with an emphasis on awareness and education of primary causes of traffic collisions, such as unsafe speed, failure to yield, failure to stop at stop signs or traffic signals, improper turning movements, and unsafe lane changes.
- Community education presentations on traffic safety issues such as distracted driving, DUI, and bicycle and pedestrian safety.

Funding for these programs has been provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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