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OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY AWARDS \$102,000 GRANT TO THE SEAL BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM TO INCREASE SAFETY ON ROADS

Seal Beach, CA – The Seal Beach Police Department announced today that it has received a \$102,000 grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) to support its ongoing enforcement and education programs to help reduce the number of serious injuries and deaths on our roads. The grant program runs through September 2026.

The grant will provide additional programs and resources, including:

- DUI checkpoints and patrols focused on stopping suspected impaired drivers.
- High-visibility distracted driving enforcement operations targeting drivers in violation of California's hands-free cell phone law.
- Enforcement operations focused on the most dangerous driver behaviors that put the safety of people biking or walking at risk.
- Enforcement operations focused on top violations that cause crashes: speeding, failure to yield, stop sign and/or red-light running, and improper turning or lane changes.
- Community presentations on traffic safety issues such as distracted driving, impaired driving, speeding and bicycle and pedestrian safety.
- Collaborative enforcement efforts with neighboring agencies.
- Officer training and/or recertification: Standard Field Sobriety Test (SFST), Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) and Drug Recognition Expert (DRE).

“Traffic safety is a shared responsibility,” said Chief Michael Henderson. “This funding helps us expand our outreach, provide valuable education to the public, and strengthen partnerships with neighboring agencies to reduce collisions and save lives.”

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

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