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### CITY OF SEAL BEACH AWARDED \$42,500 GRANT FROM THE OTS

SEAL BEACH, CA –The safety of everyone traveling is the focus of a grant awarded to City of Seal Beach. The \$42,500.00 grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) will assist in Seal Beach Police Department efforts to reduce deaths and injuries on Seal Beach roads.

“These are trying times, and now more than ever, it is important that we are at the forefront of traffic safety,” said Seal Beach Chief of Police Philp L. Gonshak. “This funding allows us to educate and enhance the safety of the community traveling 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 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.
- Collaborative efforts with neighboring agencies on traffic safety priorities.

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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