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**Lincoln Police Department Awarded \$50,000 Grant to Deter Unsafe Behaviors, Increase Safety on Roads**

Lincoln, Calif. – The Lincoln Police Department will increase patrols throughout the community and provide other traffic safety programs to help reduce the number of serious injuries and deaths on roads.

“Funds from this grant will provide continued support of our ongoing traffic safety efforts in Lincoln,” Public Safety Chief Matt Alves said. “My goal is that through increased patrols, enforcement and public education campaigns, we can work towards reducing the number of traffic related incidents in and around our community.”

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, 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).

The grant program will run through September 2023.

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