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NATURE OF STORY: Final Results: Lane County Sheriff’s Office Participation in Nation Wide DUII Saturation Patrol

DETAILS:

During the Christmas/ New Year’s holiday, Lane County Sheriff’s Office deputies conducted overtime saturation patrols focused on reducing impaired driving and related vehicle crashes and injuries. These patrols were funded by grant money provided through the Oregon State Sheriffs’ Association and the Oregon Department of Transportation.

During this two week saturation period, deputies on grant funded overtime made a total of 5 DUII arrests. There were an additional 10 DUII arrests in this 2 week period by deputies on straight time (not funded by the grant). In addition to the DUII arrests, deputies on grant funded overtime contacted community members and gave 72 warnings (in lieu of citations), made 7 arrests, and issued the following citations:

8 Driving While Suspended
1 Speeding
1 Distracted Driving
14 Other Citations

During the same time period last year, there were 15 DUII arrests. There were 36 hours of grant funded overtime worked by deputies this year as compared to 30 hours last year.

Grant funding will provide additional overtime for DUII Saturation Patrols throughout the year for holidays and Lane County special events. Please have a safe new year.

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