



SBPD TRAFFIC SECTION

QUARTERLY REPORT

July 2021 through September 2021



Grants Continue Through 2022!

The San Bruno Police Department along with most law enforcement agencies in California can apply for grants through the Office of Traffic Safety. These grants supply funding for additional enforcement operations such as DUI / Driver License Checkpoints, DUI Saturation Patrols, Pedestrian Safety Enforcement and special equipment to assist with traffic enforcement and traffic safety operations. The San Bruno Police Department has partnered with OTS year after year to bring additional traffic safety related operations and equipment to San Bruno's streets.

The 2021 OTS Grant period came to a close at the end of September 2021. The 2021 grant funding helped us conduct three DUI / Driver License Checkpoints and ten DUI Saturation Patrol operations. This grant also helped fund eight general traffic enforcement operations and two pedestrian / bicycle safety enforcement operations. We were also able to send several Officers to additional trainings such as, Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST), Advance Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE), and Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) certification. All of this was made possible through the funding provided by the California Office of Traffic Safety.

The best news is, the San Bruno Police Department applied for 2022 OTS grant funding and was awarded additional funding to conduct similar activities in 2022 and purchase additional equipment for the Traffic Section.

Pedestrian Decoy Operation



San Bruno Police Officers coordinated a Pedestrian Decoy Operation on San Bruno Avenue at Green Avenue. This operation was held during the California Office of Traffic Safety's Pedestrian Safety Month and was conducted in the area where two serious vehicle vs pedestrian collisions had occurred earlier this year.

The goal of this operation was to increase driver awareness about the laws requiring them to yield for pedestrians legally crossing in the crosswalk through enforcement and education. A plain-clothes officer acted as the pedestrian decoy and would cross in the crosswalk when it was safe and approaching vehicles were at a predetermined safe stopping distance. Drivers who failed to yield to the decoy were stopped by officers in waiting in the marked vehicles and police motorcycles.

Officers stopped a total of nine violators and issued eight citations for failing to yield to the pedestrian decoy. More of these operations are planned for the future.

Previous Quarter vs. Current Quarter

Category	Previous Qtr.	Current Qtr.
Collisions reported	154	154
Formal collision reports written	43	57
Fatal Traffic Collisions	1	0
Persons Injured in collisions	21	31
DUI arrests	11	17
Traffic citations issued	678	574
Parking citations issued	3615	2706
Abandoned vehicle processes initiated	420	400

Statistics Snapshot



2021 OTS Grant DUI / Driver License Checkpoints

The San Bruno Police Department received a Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety in the amount of \$90,000 for the 2021 fiscal year. These funds are provided for activities and training to help improve traffic safety.

Drivers who are operating motor vehicles while under the influence of alcohol or drugs pose a serious risk to drivers, passengers and pedestrians on California's roadways. One of the grant's objectives is to conduct 3 DUI and Driver License Checkpoints.

This quarter, the Department conducted two DUI Checkpoints, with a goal of keeping the community's roadways safer by getting impaired drivers off the road. Impaired drivers not only include those who are impaired by alcohol, but also those impaired by drugs, both prescription and recreational. Officers working these two checkpoints screened a combined total of over 992 vehicles that passed through the checkpoint. 10 drivers were administered field sobriety tests and 3 of those drivers were arrested for driving under the influence of Alcohol. Also, 10 drivers were cited for driver license related violations.



Code Corner:

Yield to Pedestrian in Crosswalk

California law requires drivers to yield to pedestrians who are crossing in either a marked crosswalk or an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection. This does not relieve pedestrians from acting responsibly and safely crossing.

21950 California Vehicle Code:

(a) The driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within any marked crosswalk or within any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection, except as otherwise provided in this chapter.

(b) This section does not relieve a pedestrian from the duty of using due care for his or her safety. No pedestrian may suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle that is so close as to constitute an immediate hazard. No pedestrian may unnecessarily stop or delay traffic while in a marked or unmarked crosswalk.

(c) The driver of a vehicle approaching a pedestrian within any marked or unmarked crosswalk shall exercise all due care and shall reduce the speed of the vehicle or take any other action relating to the operation of the vehicle as necessary to safeguard the safety of the pedestrian.

(d) Subdivision (b) does not relieve a driver of a vehicle from the duty of exercising due care for the safety of any pedestrian within any marked crosswalk or within any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection.

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