



## REPORT TO COUNCIL City of Sacramento

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Consent  
October 13, 2009

Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council

**Subject:** California Office of Traffic Safety Sobriety Checkpoint Grant Award

**Location/Council District:** Citywide

**Recommendation:** Adopt a **Resolution** 1) authorizing the City Manager or designee, the Chief of Police, to accept on behalf of the City of Sacramento, \$100,648 in grant funding from the California Office of Traffic Safety; 2) increasing the Police Department's Grant Operating and Grant Revenue budgets in an amount of \$100,648; and 3) authorizing the City Manager or designee, on behalf of the City of Sacramento, to enter into a memorandum of understanding or agreement with program partners, as needed, to implement the 2009/10 Sobriety Checkpoint Program.

**Contact:** Gina Haynes, Lieutenant, 808-0714

**Department:** Police

**Division:** Traffic and Air Operations

**Department ID:** 11001141

### **Description/Analysis**

**Issue:** In September 2009, the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) awarded the Sacramento Police Department \$100,648 in grant funding to implement citywide DUI checkpoints. The goal of this DUI Program is to reduce the high number of alcohol-involved fatal and injury collisions in the City of Sacramento by augmenting DUI enforcement capabilities. The grant objective is to conduct 10 DUI checkpoints from October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009. The grant program specifically emphasizes conducting DUI checkpoints during holiday periods.

**Policy Considerations:** The City of Sacramento has previously accepted grant awards from the OTS to implement Traffic and Pedestrian Safety programs.

OTS had provided funding for programs such as the Regional Street Racing Program, DUI media campaign, DUI Enforcement Team and DUI checkpoints.

**Environmental Considerations:**

**California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):** This recommendation does not constitute a "project" and is therefore exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act according to CEQA guidelines Section 15061 (b)(1) and 15378(b)(3).

**Sustainability:** Not applicable

**Other:** Not applicable

**Rationale for Recommendation:** Of the thirteen largest metropolitan cities in California, the City of Sacramento has consistently had the highest rate of fatal and injury traffic collisions based on population and average number of vehicle miles driven. Alcohol-related collisions, in particular, continue to be tragic. In 2008, in the City of Sacramento, alcohol-related injury collisions accounted for 11 percent of total traffic injury collisions, but 35 percent of all the collision fatalities. The rationale for this OTS program is to supplement DUI enforcement operations throughout the City of Sacramento. This program will fund overtime for citywide sobriety checkpoints with specific emphasis during the holiday periods of Christmas, New Years and Labor Day.

**Financial Considerations:** The California Office of Traffic Safety has awarded the Sacramento Police Department \$100,648 to implement a one-year Sobriety Checkpoint Mini-grant program. The grant funding will pay for overtime to conduct 10 checkpoints at a maximum cost of \$10,065 per enforcement operation. The grant provides funding for Sworn, Reserve and Community Service Officers. The grant program period is from October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010. No matching grant funds are required.

**Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):** Purchase of supplies and equipment will be made in accordance with the City's Emerging and Small Business Development (E/SBD) program requirements whenever possible.

Respectfully Submitted by: G. Haynes, Lt.  
Gina Haynes, Lieutenant

Approved by: Brian Lorie  
Rick Braziel, Chief of Police

Recommendation Approved:

Ray Kerridge  
Ray Kerridge, City Manager

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**Attachment 1****Background**

Of the thirteen largest metropolitan cities in California, the City of Sacramento has consistently had the highest rate of fatal and injury traffic collisions based on population and average number of vehicle miles driven. Alcohol-related collisions, in particular, continue to be tragic. In 2008, in the City of Sacramento, alcohol-related injury collisions accounted for 11 percent of total traffic injury collisions, but 35 percent of all the collision fatalities.

In June 2009, OTS awarded a one-year grant to the City of Sacramento for \$670,500 to fund a full-time DUI Enforcement and Compliance team. The objectives of this grant program will focus on DUI Saturation Patrols, DUI Checkpoints, DUI Traffic Warrant Services, and DUI and Traffic Offender Probation Searches and Compliance. Funding will be used to address high accident intersections, DUI drivers, and DUI collision locations. Duties include writing citations, arresting and processing DUI drivers and conducting DUI traffic enforcement operations.

In September 2009, the Office of Traffic Safety awarded the City of Sacramento a second DUI grant to implement sobriety checkpoints throughout the City. The focus of the grant is to conduct checkpoints especially during the Winter Holiday and Labor Day mobilization periods. The grant authorizes overtime funding for supervision, sworn, reserve and community service officers to conduct 10 sobriety checkpoints during the grant period from October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010.

**Attachment 2**

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**Adopted by the Sacramento City Council**

**CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY  
SOBRIETY CHECKPOINT GRANT AWARD**

**BACKGROUND**

- A. In June 2009, the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) awarded the Sacramento Police Department \$670,500 to fund a full-time DUI team to conduct DUI Enforcement and Traffic Safety programs. The goal of this program is to conduct DUI surveillance and traffic enforcement throughout the City of Sacramento to reduce alcohol-related collisions and injuries. The term of this grant program is October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010.
- B. In September 2009, OTS awarded the Sacramento Police Department \$100,648 in overtime funding to conduct citywide DUI sobriety checkpoints. The grant focuses on conducting checkpoints during the Winter Holiday and Labor Day periods.

**BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

- Section 1     The City Manager or his designee, the Chief of Police, is hereby authorized on behalf of the City of Sacramento, to accept State of California, Office of Traffic Safety, funds in the amount of up to \$100,648.40 including any extensions or amendments thereof, to implement the 2009/10 Sobriety Checkpoint Program.
- Section 2     Increasing the Police Department's Grant Operating and Grant Revenue budgets in an amount of \$100,648.
- Section 3     The City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized, on behalf of the City of Sacramento, to enter into MOUs or agreements with program partners, as needed, to implement the 2009/10 Sobriety Checkpoint Program.