



Sutter County Sheriff's Office Press Release

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The Sutter County Sheriff's Office has been awarded a \$14,500.00 grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) through the California Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) to battle alcohol-related crime.

The grant was awarded to the Sutter County Sheriff's Office from ABC through the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). The goal of the grant is to reduce the availability of alcohol to minors and reduce alcohol-related crime through multiple enforcement, educational, and prevention programs conducted by local law enforcement officers.

A portion of the grant funds will be used for enforcement efforts. Programs funded through the grant include Minor Decoy and Shoulder Tap Decoy operations, Informed Merchants Preventing Alcohol-Related Crime Tendency (IMPACT) inspections, Licensee Education on Alcohol and Drug (LEAD) trainings and Target Responsibility for Alcohol-Connected Emergencies (TRACE) trainings.

The grants strengthen local law enforcement efforts by combining the efforts of local law enforcement and ABC agents. ABC agents have expertise in alcoholic beverage laws and can help communities reduce alcohol-related problems.

"The program improves the quality of life in neighborhoods," said ABC Director Jacob Appelsmith. "We've seen a real difference in communities where the grant program resources have been invested."

The funds will be used to reduce the number of alcoholic beverage sales to minors, obviously intoxicated patrons, illegal solicitations of alcohol, and other criminal activities such as the sale and possession of illegal drugs.

ABC is a Department of the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency.

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