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Sacramento County Probation Department Awarded Grant to Supervise People with Multiple DUI Convictions

Sacramento, Calif. –The Sacramento County Probation Department received funds for an intensive probation supervision program for high-risk DUI offenders with multiple DUI convictions.

The \$560,000 grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) will go toward checkins with probationers to make sure they are following court-ordered terms of their probation and prevent probationers from re-offending.

"This grant from OTS ensures that we are able to do our part in helping to keep the community and roadways safe," said Chief Probation Officer Marlon Yarber. "As a result of the funding, we are better able to provide resources and services to individuals under our supervision while reducing the number of alcohol and drug-involved traffic collisions."

"The safety of our communities is a top priority and intensive supervision programs hold DUI offenders accountable for their actions," OTS Director Barbara Rooney said. "This concerted effort improves the safety of our roadways by addressing the devastating impacts impaired driving has on our communities."

The probation grant will also pay for warrant operations targeting probation violations and/or DUI suspects who do not appear in court, alcohol testing, officer training in Standard Field Sobriety Testing (SFST), distribution of DUI "Be On the Lookout" (BOLO) alerts, and collaborating with courts and prosecutors to establish probation orders.

The grant program runs through September 2023.

Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

