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## **PRESS RELEASE**

## Washington County Sheriff's Office Receives Top DUII Awards

April 29, 2014—Washington County Sheriff's Office receives top Driving under the Influence of Intoxicants (DUII) awards.

On April 25, 2014, the Washington County Sheriff's Office was selected by the Oregon DUII Multi-Disciplinary Training Task Force as the County Agency-of-the-Year for 2013 for DUII enforcement.



This award is presented to a Sheriff's Office which has initiated or accomplished an effective DUII project or program in their area of responsibility through enforcement, prevention, and community involvement. The agency must also proactively train officers in DUII enforcement and drugimpaired driving laws, taking a proactive approach to deter impaired drivers.

Washington County Sheriff's Deputy, Josh Wilson, was honored as the 2013 statewide DUII Trainer-of-the-Year at the awards presentation.



DUII enforcement is a top priority for the Washington County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff's Office continues to arrest over 1,100 DUII impaired drivers every year. Washington County fatal crashes involving alcohol have dropped in recent years. There is still significant work to be done, especially with the increasing number of impaired people driving under the influence of drugs and prescription medication.

The Washington County Sheriff's Office Traffic Safety Unit dedicates DUII enforcement deputies to the prevention of hazardous situations caused

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by alcohol and drug impaired drivers. The Sheriff's Office will continue to stay focused to stop impaired driving to help keep our roads safer.

If you have any information concerning an alcohol or impaired driver, please call the Washington County Sheriff's Office at (503) 629-0111 or 911 if it is an emergency.