

PRESS RELEASE

UPDATE: Three Flags Seatbelt Blitz Results

September 10, 2014 — The Washington County Sheriff's Office Traffic Team reports the results from the Three Flags Seatbelt Blitz enforcement. The saturation enforcement was conducted in partnership with the Washington County Sheriff's Office, the Oregon Department of Transportation and a grant from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. These results are from the reporting period starting August 25, 2014, and continuing through September 7, 2014.

Total traffic contacts: 824 Safety Belt Violations: 114 Speed Violations: 377 Cell Phone/Texting Violations: 92 Additional Violations: 468 which includes a variety of traffic safety violations

There will be continued enhance traffic enforcement missions later this year.

Deputies Provide Enhanced DUII and Seatbelt Patrol

August 13, 2014--Washington County Sheriff's Deputies will provide extra patrols on Washington County roadways to enhance safety for the extended Labor Day holiday period.

The Washington County Sheriff's Office would like everyone to have a safe and enjoyable Labor Day holiday. The Labor Day holiday period is one of the most dangerous holidays for crashes due to heavily traveled roadways in combination with impaired and aggressive drivers.

In addition to extra patrols focused on impaired driving over the holiday period, deputies will also focus on aggressive drivers. Sheriff's Deputies will be looking for drivers that are speeding, following too closely, and distracted while using mobile communication devices.

Deputies will be providing extra DUII patrol from August 15, 2014 through September 2, 2014. There will also be a Three Flags Seatbelt Blitz beginning August 25, 2014 and continuing through September 7, 2014. The results will be provided at the conclusion of these traffic safety missions

Washington County Sheriff's Deputies regularly respond to traffic related incidents that could have been avoided if all drivers were safe and considerate. Deputies are reminding drivers to slow down, avoid distractions, allow adequate following distances, wear their seatbelt, and secure children in properly fitted child restraints. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) recommendation for child passenger's link is attached. <u>http://www.nhtsa.gov/Safety/CPS</u>