

Evansville Police Awarded \$4,000.00 Grant

Over the Limit, Under Arrest+



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The Evansville Police Department participated in the Over the Limit Under Arrest+ crackdown on Drunk Driving, **—Aug. 21 to Sept. 7**

To save lives and prevent injuries, law enforcement officers from agencies all over Wisconsin and throughout the nation patrolled in greater numbers and for longer hours from August 21 to September 7 to arrest impaired drivers and get them off the road.

By participating in this initiative, the Evansville Police Department was eligible for a \$ 4,000.00 Traffic Enforcement Equipment Grant drawing.

The 2009 traffic enforcement equipment grant drawing for unfunded agencies that participated in Wisconsin's Over the Limit Under Arrest+mobilization was completed on October 15th, 2009. The selection was conducted during the Sauk County Traffic Safety Commission's regularly scheduled meeting at the Sauk County Law Enforcement Center.

The Evansville Police Department was one of the agencies that was selected and will be awarded a \$4,000.00 Traffic Enforcement Equipment Grant.

Since drawings were begun for unfunded agency enforcement programs in 2005, 273 grants have been awarded to 188 different agencies. Twenty one departments that were selected this time had not won previously.

In 2007, The Evansville Police Department was awarded a \$4,000.00 grant for participating in the Click it or Ticket+initiative.

Earlier this year, the Evansville Police Department received a Preliminary Breath Test Unit {PBT} valued at \$700.00 for participating in the 2009 Click it or Ticket+initiative.

Booze and Belts+will run from December 7th, through December 15th, 2009. The Evansville Police Department plans to participate in this initiative as well.

Because drunken drivers are deadly threats not just to themselves but to everyone else on our roads, our enforcement efforts help save lives and prevent serious injuries,+says Evansville Police Chief Scott McElroy. We hope that our education and enforcement efforts will deter people from getting behind the wheel when they're impaired. If more people make the responsible decision to not

drive if they are not sober, we will make progress toward the goal of reducing the number of preventable traffic deaths to *Zero in Wisconsin*.

To learn more about these initiatives, visit the Evansville Police web page at:

<http://www.ci.evansville.wi.gov/city/services/police.html>