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Hudson County Board of Commissioners approved the County of Hudson to accept a \$60,000 grant from the Federal Highway Safety Grant, Pedestrian Safety Grant for fiscal year 2023

Jersey City-The Hudson County Board of Commissioners approved the County of Hudson to accept \$60,000 grant from the Federal Highway Safety Grant, Pedestrian Safety Grant for fiscal year 2023.

An analysis of crashes identifies four key contributing circumstances that warrant intervention: Impaired Driving, Seat Belt Use, Driver Distraction, Drugs and Speeding.

Grant funding will be utilized for enforcement, education, and essential equipment to address traffic safety issues, more specifically by continuing the county program for Drug Recognition Experts to combat impaired driving, by way of controlled dangerous substances, and aide in the prosecution and conviction of offenders.

On average a pedestrian was killed every 1.6 hours and injured every 7.5 minutes. Pedestrians' crashes occur for a variety of reasons, including errors in judgement by pedestrians and drivers, as well as mechanical failures or shortcomings in traffic engineering. As the most densely-populated state in the nation, pedestrian safety is a major issue in New Jersey.

The purpose of the grant is to provide and improve traffic and pedestrian safety education and enforcement throughout Hudson County.

The grant will be for the period of October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023.

Board Chairman Anthony Vainieri and the Board of Commissioners are committed to providing the necessary educational resources needed to inform county residents of the importance of keeping motorists and pedestrians safe.

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