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Immediate Release

Hudson County Board of Commissioners approved the County of Hudson to accept a \$60,000 grant from the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety, Pedestrian Safety Grant Program and Drug Recognition Experts Grant , \$38,180 for fiscal year 2024.

Jersey City-The Hudson County Board of Commissioners approved the County of Hudson to accept a \$60,000 grant from the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety, Pedestrian Safety Grant Program and Drug Recognition Experts Grant, \$38,18044 for fiscal year 2024.

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 pedestrian safety education and enforcement throughout Hudson County.

The grant funding will be utilized for enforcement, education, and essential equipment to address traffic safety issues, more specifically by establishing a County program for Drug Recognition Experts to combat impaired driving by way of controlled dangerous substances, and to aid in the prosecution and conviction of offenders.

The grant will be for the period of October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2024.

Board Chairman Anthony Romano and the Board of Commissioners are committed to providing the necessary educational resources needed to inform county residents of the importance of keeping pedestrians safe. Most importantly, motorists who commit moving violations that put pedestrians at risk should be issued summonses.

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