

TxDOT Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grant

City Council A Session September 29, 2022

Presented by William McManus, Chief of Police

Purpose

Enhance the Department's efforts to combat DWI, speeding, distracted driving, intersection-related violations and traffic infractions and promote occupant protection

- Enforcement Activity
- Community Education & Outreach

STEP Grant funds have been awarded to SAPD annually for over 20 years

Traffic Unit



The Traffic Unit is comprised of 100 Sworn personnel:

- 87 Officers
- 9 Sergeants
- 3 Lieutenants
- 1 Captain

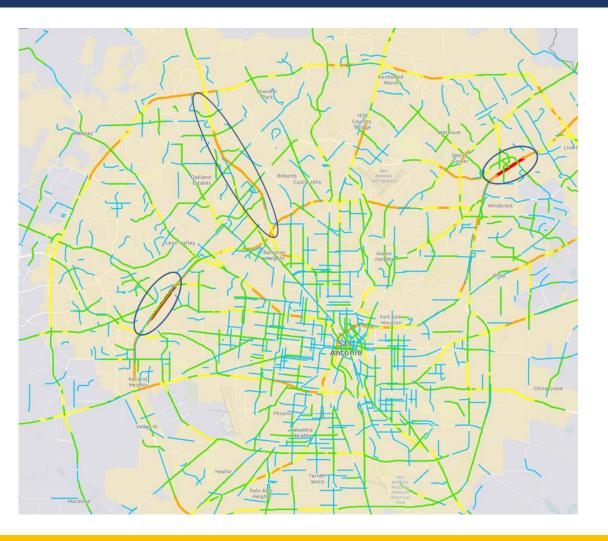
STEP Grant Enforcement

STEP Grant provides overtime funding for over 14,000 enforcement hours in identified areas with high incidences of crashes and traffic crimes.

	2018		2019		2020		2021		2022*	
	Citations	Warnings								
Speeding	11,171	1,969	3,176	7,046	5,394	8,879	2,496	12,056	2,490	10,326
Distracted Driving	8,996	1,966	1,329	3,607	748	3,034	386	3,513	333	2,825
Seatbelt	5,395	1,767	771	1,180	165	418	127	208	113	136
Child Restraint	794	488	199	162	49	33	35	19	12	11
Moving Violations	1,064	1,758	1,305	5,777	784	7,674	514	7,628	393	4,806

*January 1, 2022 thru August 1, 2022

Data-Driven Enforcement



Enforcement areas are identified utilizing Data Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Safety (DDACTS) model

- Data provided by TxDOT
- Goal is to reduce the number and seriousness of crashes

Education & Outreach



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A traffic safety collaboration between the San Antonio Police Department and the Save A Life[®] program from the Texas Department of Transportation.



THE MISSION

TO SAVE LIVES BY EDUCATING OUR COMMUNITY ON TRAFFIC SAFETY THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS WITH THE CITIZENS WE SERVE.

Since FY 2018, SAPD has participated in outreach events to promote traffic safety

- 136 presentations
- 57 community events

Outreach is tailored to the needs of the group and can include classroom presentations, interactive booths or exhibits which includes wrapped vehicles with a traffic safety theme for display.

Grant Award

Grant Period: October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023

- Grant funds \$843,000
- Cash match \$265,000
- In-kind match \$77,500

Recommendation

Staff recommends City Council acceptance of the grant award in the amount of \$843,000 in support of traffic enforcement efforts.



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