

Sacramento DA's Office Receives OTS Grant for DUI/DUID Prosecution & Education Outreach



Sacramento County District Attorney's Office

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The Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) has awarded the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office a \$268,160 grant for the "DUI/DUID Misdemeanor Prosecution, Education and Outreach" program. This program focuses on reducing the number of persons killed or injured in DUI (driving under the influence) / DUID (driving under the influence of drugs) crashes, through successful prosecution of DUI/DUID cases as well as law enforcement trainings and education outreach.

Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

OTS ranked Sacramento County 17th out of 58 counties where victims were killed and injured in crashes involving alcohol in 2019. There had been a 3% decrease in that number from 2017 to 2019. However, with a population of 1.55 million in Sacramento County, the number of DUI/DUID cases filed by the Sacramento County DA's Office is still significant. In 2021, the Sacramento County DA's Office filed a total of 7,496 DUI and/or DUID charges.

This grant funds a full-time prosecutor who will specialize in misdemeanor DUI/DUID cases; mentor newly appointed prosecutors on the successful prosecution of DUI/DUID cases; provide training to law enforcement agencies on new DUI/DUID laws and investigation techniques; provide outreach on DUI/DUID prevention to adults and youth to include podcasts; and distribute informational materials

to those charged with DUI/DUID offenses in an effort to prevent repeat DUI offenses.

“Thanks to our long-standing partnership with OTS, our office will continue to have a dedicated prosecutor focused on holding DUI/DUID offenders accountable while also working to prevent new offenders through community education,” said District Attorney Anne Marie Schubert. “This grant will also provide law enforcement with vital training to keep up with rapidly changing investigation techniques and DUI/DUID laws.”

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