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Agenda #2

Agenda Action Report
prepared for the
Cascade County Commission

ITEM: **Contract 23-57**
Cascade County DUI Task Force 2023 Annual Plan

PRESENTED BY: **Julie Sangster, DUI Task Force Coordinator**

SYNOPSIS:

The Cascade County DUI Task Force 2023 Annual Plan will be submitted to the Traffic and Safety Bureau of the Montana Department of Transportation in accordance with MCA 61-2-106. The 2023 Annual Plan effective dates are July 1, 2023- June 30, 2024.

The Cascade County DUI Task Force has the objective of reducing the number of alcohol and Drug related traffic incidents though assisting law enforcement, advocating for strict DUI legislature and public education.

The Cascade County DUI Task Force receives funding from the Highway Traffic Safety Office of the Montana Department of Transportation. These funds derive from the \$200.00 driver's license reinstatement fee collected from individuals convicted of DUI within Cascade County. One half of these fees are disbursed through the Traffic Safety Office to the DUI Task Force on a quarterly basis. The other half of the reinstatement fees are deposited in the State general fund. The Task Force's budget must maintain a slightly flexible nature due to the fact the amount collected will vary from quarter-to-quarter and year-to-year. Additionally, funding accumulated from counties that do not have DUI Task Forces will be distributed to counties that do. These funds are added to this year's budget and all subsequent budgets as they become available. These funds are added to the other purchases/services budget. Unobligated Task force funds are "rolled over into the next fiscal year's budget and do not revert to Cascade County.

TWO MOTIONS PROVIDED FOR CONSIDERATION

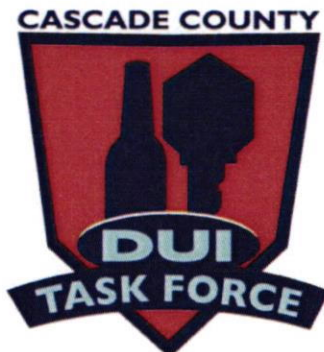
MOTION TO APPROVE:

"I move the Cascade County Commission **APPROVE** Contract 23-57, Cascade County DUI Task Force 2023 Annual Plan."

MOTION TO DISAPPROVE:

"I move the Cascade County Commission **DISAPPROVE** Contract 23-57, Cascade County DUI Task Force 2023 Annual Plan."

The Cascade County DUI Task Force's Annual Plan



"WHAT'S YOUR PLAN?"

1 July 2023 - 30 June 2024

**Submitted to the
Montana Traffic and Safety Bureau
Of the
Montana Department of Transportation**

In Accordance with MCA 61-2-106

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To be the dynamic force that impacts responsible driving behaviors

Mission Statement

Prevention, Education & Enforcement

Mission

The Cascade County DUI Task Force works to reduce the number of drug and alcohol-related traffic incidents through public information and education, assisting law enforcement, and legislative advocacy. The goal of the Cascade County DUI Task Force, as depicted in this plan, is to prevent driving under the influence, reduce the number of impaired traffic incidents/crashes in Cascade County, and to educate the public. The corresponding reduction of impaired traffic incident/crashes in our county will lower the economic and psychological costs associated with drug and alcohol-related injuries and deaths.

Performance Measures

The Task Force will strive to accomplish the following actions as noted by the applicable statistics:

- Reduce alcohol-related crashes in Cascade County by one quarter (1/4) percent, from 28.3% to 21.2% percent crashes.
- Initiate public information and education (PI&E) campaign to educate impaired drivers that if they do drive impaired, they will be detected and if appropriate, apprehended and sentenced.
- Initiate a PI&E campaign to educate minors that if they drive impaired they will be detected, apprehended and sentenced.
- Initiate a PI&E campaign to educate parents of their responsibilities to be positive role models and make and enforce a "Zero Tolerance" rule for their minor's use of alcohol and that if they provide alcohol to underage persons they will be detected, apprehended and sentenced.
- Increase law enforcement's capability to affect DUI and MIP arrests.
- Support Malmstrom Air Force Base's Airman Against Drunk Driving (AADD) program.
- Assist with conducting state approved Responsible Alcohol Sales training as needed.
- Collaborate with the Cascade County Tavern Association to allow patrons a free or subsidized taxi ride home via the Tavern Association's HOME SAFE program.

Evaluation

This plan will be evaluated through a comparison of the numbers contained in the performance measures listed above and the actual statistics obtained from both the Montana Department of Transportation's Traffic Safety Office and local sources.

Program Administration/Coordination

In order to maximize the Task Force's collaborative resources, the Coordinator will continue to be an active partner in other local state organizations and activities which advocate our mission and goal.