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MEDIA RELEASE

Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office to Enhance Traffic Safety Efforts Over the Memorial Day Weekend and Beyond

The Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office will be providing an enhanced traffic safety presence from May 23rd through June 12th. This time period, which includes the Memorial Day weekend, has statistically been identified as the one of the most deadly time periods of the year on our country's roadways.

The sheriff's office traffic safety staffing will be funded, in large part, by two traffic safety grants provided by the State of Colorado Department of Transportation. Deputies funded through the Law Enforcement Assistance Fund (LEAF) "*The Heat Is On*" DUI campaign and also funded through the "*Click It or Ticket*" seat belt use campaign will be deployed throughout the City of Centennial, The Town of Foxfield, Town of Deer Trail and the unincorporated areas serviced by the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office. Deputies will be detecting and apprehending intoxicated drivers, those operating motor vehicles without utilizing their seatbelts and aggressive drivers.

In addition to the grant-funded positions additional traffic safety deputies will be deployed to high traffic crash and high DUI arrest locations throughout our service areas. The primary duties for the additional traffic cars are to be highly visible while conducting strict enforcement of seat belt, child safety restraint, and aggressive driving violations. Advisory signboards will be utilized to notify motorists of the on going traffic safety enforcement effort. The goal of this effort is to increase the levels of traffic safety within our community by reducing the number of intoxicated drivers, seat belt violators and aggressive driving related violations.

For further information, contact Sheriff Grayson Robinson at 720.874.4165.

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