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**LANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
**NEWS RELEASE**



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**DATE/ TIME OF RELEASE:**      2/20/2020      8:00 a.m.

**NATURE OF STORY:**                      **Final Results: Lane County Sheriff's Office**  
**Participation in Nationwide Seat Belt Enforcement**

**DETAILS:**

From February 3rd to February 16th, Lane County Sheriff's Office deputies conducted overtime saturation patrols focused on adult and child seat belt use, speeding and distracted driving. These patrols were funded solely through a grant from the Oregon Department of Transportation in conjunction with the nationwide effort sponsored by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

During this two week timeframe, deputies worked 63 hours of grant funded overtime and contacted numerous drivers in effort to make our roadways safer. Deputies had the following enforcement contacts:

- 26 Safety Belt Citations**
- 15 Driving While Suspended Citations**
- 18 Speeding Citations**
- 10 Distracted Driving Citations**
- 40 Other Traffic Citations**
- 2 Interlock Device Citations**
- 74 Warnings**
- 1 DUI**
- 4 Arrests**

The Lane County Sheriff's Office utilizes grant funding for saturation patrols throughout the year around holidays and for Lane County special events that garner significant traffic. The Lane County Sheriff's Office wants to remind motorists to buckle up and drive safely. The life you save may be your own.

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