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Results from Distracted Driving Campaign

Tigard Police officers recently joined other law enforcement agencies in a High-Visibility Enforcement (HVE) campaign targeting distracted drivers, and the results of that campaign are now in.

Between July 4th – July 14th, two Tigard Police officers worked a combined 6 hours on the campaign. In total, they:

- Issued 9 distracted driving citations
- Issued 1 driving while suspended citation
- Made 1 arrest on an outstanding warrant
- Issued 10 warnings

We want to remind drivers that distracted driving is *anything* that takes your attention away from the road, whether texting, eating or talking to people on your phone or in your car. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), sending or reading a text takes your eyes off the road for 5 seconds. At 55 mph, that's like driving the length of an entire football field with your eyes closed!

This special enforcement is made possible thanks to federal grant funding for overtime hours from NHTSA, which are distributed to the Oregon Department of Transportation and managed by Oregon Impact. The Tigard Police Department participates in the HVE safety campaign as one way to make the roadways safer for drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists.

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