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Murphy Administration announces \$1.4 million in FY 2022 Highway Safety Fund Program grants

Funding for 54 municipalities aims to protect drivers by supporting enforcement efforts along highways

(Trenton) – The Murphy Administration today announced the award of \$1.4 million in Highway Safety Fund Program grants to 54 municipalities to promote safety along designated Safe Corridor highway segments.

"The Highway Safety Fund provides grants to local law enforcement, helping ensure they have the tools they need to keep our roads safe," NJDOT Commissioner Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti said. "The funding provides resources necessary for local governments to achieve their safety objectives without burdening local property taxpayers."

The Highway Safety Fund Grant program is funded through fines, which are doubled in designated Safe Corridors for a variety of moving violations, including speeding. The designated segments of state highways were selected based on crash data, traffic volume, and other highway traffic safety criteria. This data driven model directs more resources to those areas within Safe Corridors exhibiting the greatest need for continued enhanced enforcement measures.

The current Safe Corridors include:

- Rt. 1 between Trenton and South Brunswick (Milepost 0.6 to 10), between South Brunswick and Edison (Milepost 20 to 30), and between Woodbridge and Elizabeth City (Milepost 35.1 to 45.45)
- Rt. 9 from Lakewood to Sayreville (Milepost 100 to 130)
- Rt. 22 between Branchburg and Newark (Milepost 30 to 40 & Milepost 50 to 60)
- Rt. 40 between Hamilton and Egg Harbor (Milepost 50 to 60)
- Rt. 46 between Netcong and Woodland Park Borough (Milepost 30 to 40 & Milepost 50 to 60)
- Rt. 47 between Millville City and Vineland City (Milepost 40 to 50)
- Rt. 73 between Voorhees and Maple Shade (Milepost 20 to 30)
- Rt. 206 between Montgomery and Hillsborough (Milepost 60 to 70)

The grants are administered by the NJDOT Division of <u>Local Aid and Economic Development</u> and are intended to promote public safety. They are distributed based on a formula to all municipalities responsible for law enforcement within the designated Safe Corridors.

Funding may be used by municipalities to purchase enforcement equipment including police vehicles, radar equipment, computer hardware and software, and to provide for special enforcement details. Here is the <u>complete list of grant recipients</u> and amounts. For NJDOT news follow us on Twitter <u>@NewJerseyDOT</u> or on the <u>NJDOT Facebook page</u>.

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