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# MIDDLETON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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*Brad Keil - Chief of Police*

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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The Wisconsin Bureau of Transportation Safety has awarded the Middleton Police Department a \$13,800 Speed Enforcement Grant for 2012. This is in addition to the 2012 Seat Belt Enforcement Grant of \$10,000 announced earlier.

This grant will allow the department to deploy additional officers to enforce the speed laws. It will also provide funding for the purchase of additional speed-monitoring devices.

Speeding was listed as a contributing factor in 18% of crashes statewide during 2010. Excessive speed is often associated with other high-risk driving behaviors that increase.

The Middleton Police Department has traditionally been a strong advocate of using targeted traffic enforcement patrols to address speed-related issues in its effort to provide safe roadways for our citizens. It is gratified to have been chosen for this grant.

The grant period runs from October 2011 through September 2012 and will include extra patrols each month. Also, during the national enforcement periods such as Booze and Belts, Summer Heat, and Click It or Ticket, there will be even more of the enforcement patrols deployed.

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