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Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter Police Department was awarded a contract/grant from the Missouri Department of Transportation Highway Safety Division which was effective from 10/01/2015 to 09/30/2016.

The purpose of this grant was to conduct aggressive patrols and sobriety checkpoints to deter impaired driving. This grant also covered officer's salaries to travel to other jurisdictions to conduct sobriety checkpoints as part of the Southeast Missouri DWI Task Force operation. This grant was approved in the amount of \$11,847.

During these overtime projects, Dexter Police Officers worked a total of 129 hours and made contact with 530 motorists during roving patrols and one sobriety checkpoint conducted in the City limits of Dexter. The following are the totals from these traffic stops and the sobriety checkpoint with summonses/arrest's issued:

DWI Alcohol arrest – 1
Signal light violations -1
Speeding violations – 2
Other Hazardous Moving Violations – 2
Seat Belt Violations – 12
Child Restraint Violations – 1
Suspended or Revoked Driver's License Violations – 7
Driving with no operator's license – 7

Uninsured motorist – 12 Felony arrest -1 Drug Arrests -2 Other non-hazardous moving violations – 8 Total Violations 53

The following are the totals from these traffic stops with verbal/written warnings issued:

Warning for stop sign violation – 3
Warning for signal light violation – 2
Warning for careless and imprudent driving – 2
Warning for speeding – 53
Warning for other hazardous moving violations – 14
Warning for seat belts – 8
Warning for child restraints – 2
Warning for no operator's license – 1
Warning for uninsured motorist – 5
Warning for other non-hazardous moving violation 76
Total warnings issued – 166

The Dexter Police Department encourages the use of a sober driver. If you suspect an impaired driver on the roadway, please call the Dexter Police at 573-624-5512.

Thank you, Lieutenant J.T. Benton 914.

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