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Dexter Police Releases Results of Click It or Ticket Enforcement Motorists Reminded to Buckle Up and Arrive Alive

Dexter, Missouri – Law enforcement agencies throughout Missouri participated in this statewide effort to get more motorists to buckle up — and save more lives. During the enforcement effort, officers issued a total of 7 traffic citations. Including

Despite evidence proving the benefits of wearing a seat belt, nearly one in five Missouri motorists are still not making it click. Even more concerning, six out of ten Missourians killed in traffic crashes are unbuckled.

"Seat belts are your single best defense in a crash," stated Captain Trevor Pulley. "We will continue to encourage drivers to make a simple, smart choice to buckle up and Arrive Alive."

For more information on Missouri's seat belt use, visit www.saveMOlives.com. Buckle Up and Arrive Alive.

Pictured is Lieutenant Joshua T. Benton 914 of the Dexter Police Department.

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Route AC in Stoddard County will be reduced to one lane as Missouri Department of Transportation crews perform pavement repairs.

This section of roadway is located from Route 25 to County Road 237.

Weather permitting, work will take place Monday, April 16 through Monday, April 30 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

The work zone will be marked with signs. Motorists are urged to use extreme caution while traveling near the area.

For additional information, contact MoDOT's Customer Service Center toll-free at 1-888-ASK-MODOT (1-888-275-6636) or visit www.modot.org/southeast.

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Missouri's 16th annual No MOre Trash! Bash will focus on "spring cleaning" the outdoors by asking residents to pick up litter throughout the state April 15 - May 15. The litter prevention campaign is sponsored by the Missouri departments of conservation and transportation.

The annual Trash Bash encourages people to clean up litter across Missouri from roadsides, parks, neighborhoods, rivers, streams, trails and other places. Trash Bash activities also include educational efforts in schools, community events and Earth Day celebrations.

Each year, MoDOT spends about \$6.75 million to remove litter from more than 385,000 acres of roadsides along 34,000 state highway miles. Annual volunteer efforts to pick up litter along Missouri highways are valued at more than \$1 million.

Littering also hurts wildlife and Missouri outdoors.

"Many animals mistake litter for food and become sick and die when they try to ingest it," said Joe Jerek, the Missouri Department of Conservation's No MOre Trash! coordinator. "Birds, fish, turtles and other animals get tangled in litter, such as plastic six-pack holders and fishing line, and it can kill them."

Volunteers are needed across the state to participate in litter cleanup activities. Participants can report their cleanup efforts and will receive a thank you No MOre Trash! pin. For more information and to learn how to participate, visit www.nomoretrash.org/ or call 1-888-ASK-MODOT (1-888-275-6636).

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Dexter, Missouri - "Bootheel Recycling is a Missouri scrap metal recycling company whose customer base includes regional utility companies, large manufacturing businesses, tool and die shops, local Dexter scrap dealers, haulers, farmers and individuals across Southeast Missouri and Arkansas."

"We comply vigilantly with the laws set forth by OSHA, EPA, federal and Missouri. Our scrap metal recycling policies are honest and transparent. Our scales are certified yearly and calibrated twice a year. We belong to the Chamber of Commerce and the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries. We are OSHA 10 certified. We have the highest graded material in the industry."

"We buy most forms of ferrous and non-ferrous metals, including copper, aluminum, stainless steel, brass, scrap iron, radiators and catalytic converters. Please consult our Scrap Metal Selling Guide to find out more about how to sell scrap metal, and how to get the most money for your scrap metal. The best indication of our success is our loyal customer base. We are nice people with good business practices. We have a very high level of return business, and our new

customers often come to us by way of referral."

"Our friendly customer service staff will ensure that your recycling experience is simple and hassle-free. Our modern and streamlined processing system allows us to offer competitive prices. Please contact us today if you would like to inquire about our services."

Check out their website by clicking HERE.

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MoDOT reminds motorists to slow down and not be distracted when driving through construction areas. The emphasis on safety is part of National Work Zone Awareness Week.

In 2017, 13 people were killed in work zone crashes on state system routes and an additional three on the local system, for a total of 16 fatalities.

Interstates and major roads will have numerous work zones set up through the fall. There will be work zones along interstates 44, 55, 64, 70, 270 and on U.S. Route 65.

Motorists are urged to observe warning signs and merge before reaching lane closures. Please be aware of changing traffic conditions. Traffic could slow or stop unexpectedly, traffic lanes can merge or equipment and workers can enter the roadway. Be aware and be prepared to slow down. Driving too fast for the conditions is a major factor in work zone crashes.

The best defense in a work zone crash, or any crash, is a seat belt. In 2017, 65 percent of vehicle occupant fatalities were not wearing one.

To help make your travel safer, visit MoDOT's Traveler Information Map for work zones. Motorists can comment on the quality of MoDOT's work zones with an online customer survey.

For information on work zone safety and a list of high impact work zones across the state, visit http://www.modot.org/workzones/index.htm.

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