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## **Motorcycle Safety Enforcement Operation**

The Visalia Police Department conducted a Motorcycle Safety Enforcement Operation, on 06/20/14 from 1700-2300 hours, as part of the Visalia Police Department's commitment to public safety. The goal of the Motorcycle Safety Enforcement Operation is to lower deaths and injuries. Extra officers were on duty patrolling areas frequented by motorcyclists and where motorcycle crashes occur. Officers were looking for drivers and riders who are under the influence of drugs or alcohol and cracking down on traffic violations made by regular vehicle drivers as well as motorcyclists that can lead to motorcycle collisions, injuries and fatalities.

During the course of this detail there were (5) motorcycle stops and (42) vehicles stopped. These enforcement stops resulted in (31) traffic citations issued for miscellaneous offenses including (3) for unlicensed driving and (0) for driving with a suspended license. There were no DUI arrests.

The Visalia Police Department Traffic Unit will be conducting additional details aimed at deterring drinking and driving. Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

If you have any questions, contact Sergeant Ozzie Dominguez at 713-4216.

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