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**DATE:** 10/25/12  
**TO:** HON. MARK D. BOUGHTON VIA THE CITY COUNCIL  
**FROM:** DAVID W. ST. HILAIRE, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE *Dst*  
**RE:** 2013 COMPREHENSIVE DUI ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

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Attached for your review is a resolution that will allow the City of Danbury Police Department to apply for and accept funding from the State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation for the "FY 2013 Comprehensive DUI Enforcement Program".

The projected cost of this program will not exceed \$50,000. The State portion is 75%, or \$37,500, while the City is responsible for 25% of the cost, or \$12,500. These funds are available in the Police Department FY 12/13 budget.

The City Council is respectfully requested to consider this resolution at its next meeting.

DST/sk

cc: Chief A. Baker



# RESOLUTION

CITY OF DANBURY, STATE OF CONNECTICUT

\_\_\_\_\_ A.D. 2012

**RESOLVED** BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANBURY

**WHEREAS**, the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation, Division of Highway Safety, has made available Federal funding for the 2013 Comprehensive Driving Under the Influence Enforcement Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the total project amount is not to exceed \$50,000, with a State commitment of 75%, or \$37,500 and the required 25% City match of \$12,500; and

**WHEREAS**, the project period is November 2012 through September 2013.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, Mayor Mark D. Boughton, or Chief Alan D. Baker, as his designee, is hereby authorized to accept these grant funds and sign all contracts necessary to effectuate the purposes thereof.



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# CITY OF DANBURY

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October 24, 2012

## MEMORANDUM

To: David St. Hilaire, Director of Finance

From: Alan D. Baker, Chief of Police

Subject: **State of Connecticut – Department of Transportation  
FY 2013 Comprehensive DUI Enforcement Program Grant**

This Department requests that the Common Council act on and approve the attached State of Connecticut DOT Comprehensive DUI Enforcement Program Grant, in that the City agrees to share its contribution responsibility (25% = \$12,500.00) of the total \$50,000.00.

Attached is supporting documentation from Sgt. Rory DeRocco, Traffic Unit Supervisor, explaining this grant in greater detail.

Alan D. Baker  
Chief of Police

ADB:mrl  
Attach.

Cc: Sgt. DeRocco

<b>PROJECT TITLE</b>	<b>APPLICANT</b>
<b>FY 2013 Comprehensive DUI Enforcement Program for Municipal Police Department</b>	

**STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The percentage of alcohol related fatalities in Connecticut during 2009 (51%) was slightly higher than the national average of 38% and slightly above the 41% in the other New England States. Of the Connecticut fatal crashes, 43% were estimated to have been "high" Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) crashes - (BAC 0.08). The national average for "high" BAC crashes was 32% and it was 34% in the other New England states.

The number of statewide DUI arrests has decreased from 14,398 in 2008 to 12,272 in 2009.

50% of DUI crashes occur during the weekend days of Friday through Sunday.

80% of fatality injured drinking drivers with a BAC equal to or above .01 occurred during the hours of 6 PM to 6 AM

The average BAC of those arrested for DUI increased slightly from 0.162 for 2008 to 0.164 in 2009.

**NOTE: For DUI Patrol activities, the number of enforcement officers allowed per vehicle at any one time is one per vehicle, however, core enforcement hours may be split by more than one officer. All officers who will be assigned to DUI activities have to be updated in the most current version of Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST).**

**NOTE: The operation of this Selective Traffic Enforcement Program shall be above and beyond the normal/special patrol activities scheduled during the program parameters.**

**OBJECTIVES**

To reduce the number of crashes, injuries and fatalities from impaired driving through increased high-visibility DUI enforcement activities. Communicate with the public, through media venues, the increased levels of DUI enforcement activities so drivers will realize the risks and consequences of operating a vehicle while under the influence and therefore deter that behavior.

**ACTIVITIES AND PROCEDURES**

This program is being offered on an expanded year-round basis and is in line with the goals and objectives as highlighted in the Connecticut Highway Safety Plan for FY 2013. Funding will be used to address various circumstances in which increased drinking and driving within the municipality is anticipated to take place. In the course of discussions with police agencies, it is evident that the incidence of impaired driving increases at certain times of the year in addition to holiday periods; for example, shoreline communities which have an increase in population during the summer months. Events such as summer festivals, country fairs, music concerts, sporting events, etc, all represent potential for a higher incidence of impaired driving.

Enforcement techniques employed should include extra DUI patrol activities, and may include DUI Sobriety checkpoints. A checkpoint is defined as, an operation not to exceed eight officers, including a supervisor, conducted at a fixed location, which lasts no more than eight hours where operators are stopped and interviewed to determine if the operator is impaired. Roaming or saturation patrols will not be conducted or reported as checkpoints.