Brown Co Sheriff's Office awarded grant

(KNZA)--The Brown County Sheriff's Office has been awarded a nearly \$3,200 traffic safety grant from the Kansas Department of Transportation.

Sheriff John Merchant announced the grant award Tuesday.

Merchant says the grant was earned though deputies participating in the Click-It-Or-Ticket and the You Drink, You Drive, You Lose campaigns. To be eligible for the grant, agencies had to participate in both enforcement actions.

The grant can be used by the Sheriffs office to purchase traffic related equipment which enhances the department's ability to provide vehicle interdiction more effectively and safer.

The two campaigns, sponsored by KDOT, provide overtime reimbursement for deputies choosing to work over and above their regularly scheduled shift which allows for more officers on the road without creating a financial burden to law enforcement entity budgets.

Seventy-two law enforcement agencies across Kansas were eligible for an equipment award, which averaged nearly \$2,800 per agency.

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