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**Hazardous Moving Violation Enforcement Grant**

The Berlin Police Department has been awarded a Hazardous Moving Violation Enforcement Grant from the Connecticut Department of Transportation Highway Safety Division. This grant provides \$21,225 for the 2008 fiscal year to be spent on increased patrols along the Berlin Turnpike on Friday and Saturday nights. The increased patrols will begin in April and continue through September. The Newington and Wethersfield police departments have also received this grant, and officers from all three departments will work together in a cooperative effort that will stretch the length of the Berlin Turnpike from Berlin to Wethersfield.

The goal of this project is to reduce traffic crashes and resultant injuries and fatalities along the Berlin Turnpike corridor. The primary focus is on traffic safety through aggressive enforcement of motor vehicle laws specifically:

1. Speeding
2. Failure to Obey Traffic Control signals
3. Unsafe Lane Changes
4. Failure to Drive a Reasonable Distance Apart
5. Reckless Driving

