

CITY OF MADISON  
**INTER-DEPARTMENTAL**  
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SUBJECT: **2017 Third Quarter Traffic Enforcement Activity Report**

The information provided in this document represents the Madison Police Department's traffic enforcement and safety activity for the third quarter of 2017.

It is the goal of the Madison Police Department to make our streets safer for all users, we feel that our streets should be safely shared by motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians.

**Traffic Citations**

The Madison Police Department issued **5,277** traffic citations (**3,602**) citations were for hazardous violations and (**1,675**) citations were for non-hazardous violations, in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2017. These numbers reflect a decrease over the total number of citations (**5,703**) issued in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2016. Note, however, this is an increase over the total number of citations (**4931**) issued in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2017.

**T.E.S.T. (Traffic Enforcement Safety Team)**

Of the **5,277** total citations issued in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2017, **2,035** citations (**1,413**) hazardous and (**622**) non-hazardous, were issued by the Traffic Enforcement Safety Team. These numbers represent an increase from the total number of citations (**1,989**) issued by TEST officers during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2016 and also the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of 2017 (**1882**).

**Speeding**

2017 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter citations for speeding totaled **1,303**. This is an increase compared to the (**900**) citations issued in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter of 2016.

**Red Signal Violations**

During the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2017, **123** red signal violation citations were issued. This is an increase from the (**105**) red signal violations that were written during 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2016.

**Warning Totals**

During the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2017, **2,434** warnings were issued for traffic violations department wide. (**1,377**) of these warnings were issued by the Traffic Enforcement Safety Team. These numbers were an increase over the total warnings (**2041**) issued in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of 2017.

**Traffic Complaint Hotline (266-4822)**

The Traffic Complaint Hotline received **190** citizen calls during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2017. **106** warning letters were sent as a result of reported violations. This compares with **100** complaints and **67** letters sent during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2016.

**School Zones**

School zones violation reports from Crossing Guards resulted in **30** warning letters being sent and **17** citations issued for observed violations in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2017.

**Traffic Enforcement/Safety Grants**

**(20)** Alcohol Enforcement, **(21)** Speed Enforcement, **(11)** Pedestrian/Bicycle Safety and **(9)** Seat Belt Enforcement overtime grant initiatives were scheduled for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2017. These were coordinated through the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Safety. The grant initiatives focused on Impaired Driving (OMVWI), Speeding, Pedestrian Safety, Bicycle safety and Seat Belt Enforcement. These **(61)** grant initiatives resulted in **1,393** citations and **582** warnings. The following are corridors where the Alcohol, Speed and Seatbelt traffic grants were deployed during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter: **Hwy 30, Hwy 151, Hwy 51, Hwy 113, John Nolen Dr, Hwy 12, University Av,**

Pedestrian/Bike Safety: **Livingston/Williamson St, Midvale/Yuma, Baldwin Av/E. Washington Av**

**Significant Crashes**

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2017, Traffic Specialists investigated **4** significant traffic crashes. These crashes resulted in **2** deaths. Also investigated and followed up on **20** crashes with injuries or great bodily harm. There was also two call-outs for assistance with a drug influence evaluation (DRE).

**Crashes- 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2017**

<b>Total crashes</b>	January - June 2016: 3313	<b>July- September 2016: 1776</b>
<b>Total crashes</b>	January - June 2017: 3097	<b>July- September 2017: 1259</b>
<b>Total bicycle crashes</b>	January – June 2016: 37	<b>July- September 2016: 37</b>
<b>Total bicycle crashes</b>	January – June 2017: 42	<b>July- September 2017: 34</b>
<b>Total pedestrian crashes</b>	January – June 2016: 39	<b>July-September 2016: 17</b>
<b>Total pedestrian crashes</b>	<i>January – June 2017: 57</i>	<b>July- September 2017: 19</b>
<b>Total vehicle crashes</b>	January- June 2016: 3238	<b>July-September 2016: 1539</b>
<b>Total vehicle crashes</b>	January-June 2017: 2998	<b>July-September 2017: 1206</b>
<b>Total fatal crashes</b>	January -June 2016: 5	<b>July- September 2016: 2</b>
	January-June 2017: 9	<b>July-September 2017: 2</b>