



CITY OF BATAMA DEPARTMENT OF POLICE



TRI-CITY POLICE RELEASE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT NUMBERS

BATAVIA, Ill. (June 6, 2022) – Between May 23 and Memorial Day, May 30, police officers from St. Charles, Geneva and Batavia worked in collaboration to increase enforcement on some of the main traffic violations that have led to an increase in serious crashes throughout the area. Officers specifically combined their efforts enforcing violations along the four main roadways that stretch between the three communities (Randall Road, Route 31, Route 25 and Kirk Road).

“The goal of this traffic initiative leading into the unofficial start of summer was to reduce crashes and raise awareness of some of the leading causes of crashes that we are seeing. The results of the enforcement efforts were staggering,” said Commander Rich Clark from the St. Charles Police Department.

In all, 373 drivers were stopped over the one week period for violations specifically sought by police which included; speed violations, distracted driving, seat belt usage, and “Scott Law,” also known as the move over law which requires drivers to change lanes, if they can do so safely, or reduce their speed significantly and proceed with caution upon approaching any emergency vehicle or other vehicle stopped on the side of the road.

“The largest number of stops made by officers were for speeding,” Clark said. “Statistically, this is the leading cause of injury and fatal crashes in the United States. As we head into the summer months, we want to ensure everyone arrives at their destination safely.”

All three departments noted they plan to continue their enforcement efforts in hopes of reducing crashes throughout the summer and keeping the roadways as safe as possible.

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