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2018 One Hundred Days of Summer H.E.A.T final results

The Milledgeville Police Department, in conjunction with the Georgia Governor's Office of Highway Safety, has concluded enforcement for the 2018 "One Hundred Days of Summer HEAT" mobilization. H.E.A.T., which stands for Highway Enforcement of Aggressive Traffic is a 4 month long, statewide, multi-jurisdictional initiative between state and local law enforcement agencies. It is intended to target unsafe motoring behaviors, including impaired driving, as well as reducing the number of crashes which result in serious injuries and fatalities on roadways across the state.

For the period from May 21 to Sept. 3, MPD officers targeted specific problem areas within the city. Each month-long period included a 12 day warning period to educate motorists of increased enforcement in the area. After the warning period, officers began issuing citations and aggressively enforcing traffic laws within the designated area, as well as throughout the city as a whole. Areas of concentration this year included Hancock Street, Vinson Highway, Elbert Street, Highway 49 west, Highway 441By-Pass, Roberson Mill Road, Columbia Street and Blandy Road. Data is compiled at the end of each month long period.

During this year's H.E.A.T mobilization, MPD officers issued 1,049 citations to drivers throughout the city. These citations included the following: 156 speeding citations; 41 for driving under the influence; 34 for following too closely; 106 for various failure to yield violations; 126 adult seat belt violations; and 26 child seat belt/safety seat violations.

There was a Click It or Ticket mobilization during this year's H.E.A.T campaign, running from May 15- June 4. Click It or Ticket is a nationwide initiative involving state and local law enforcement intended to address violations of adult and child seat belt and safety seat violations. This mobilization produced 203citations for MPD.
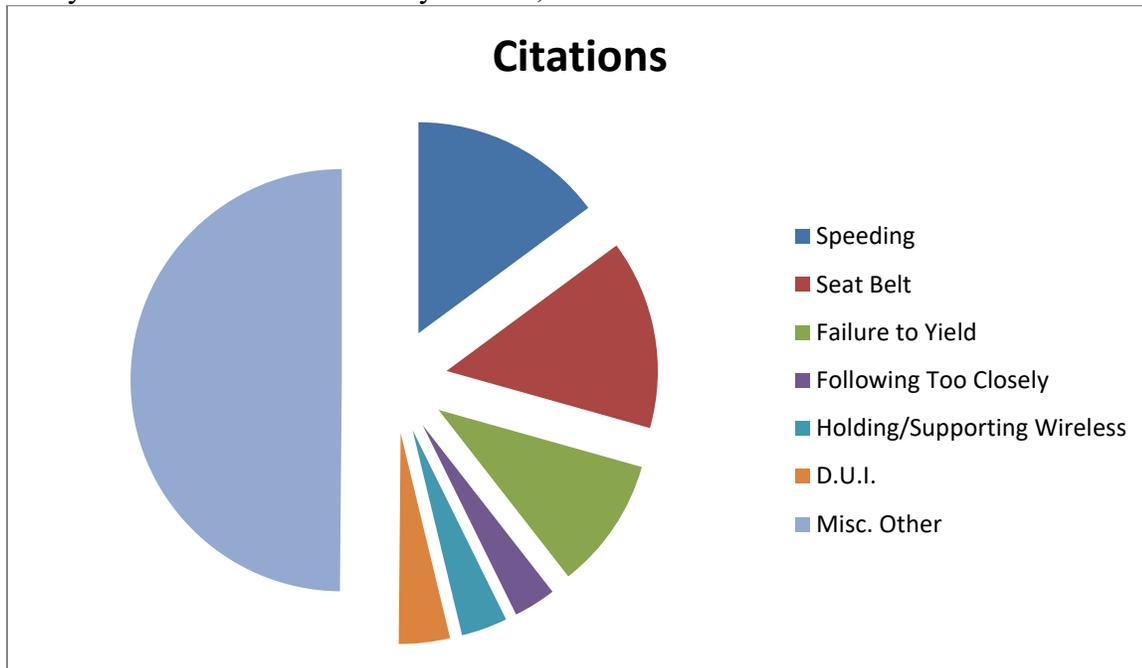
There was also an Operation Zero Tolerance mobilization during this year's H.E.A.T campaign, between June 22 and July 5. Operation Zero Tolerance is a nationwide initiative involving state and local law enforcement intended to target impaired driving. This mobilization yielded 156 citations, including 4 arrests for driving under the influence for MPD.

Also included in this year's H.E.A.T mobilization was a Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over mobilization, running from Aug.16- Sept. 3.   Drive Sober of Get Pulled Over is a State of Georgia initiative involving state and local law enforcement intended to address impaired driving violations. This mobilization produced 283citations, locally.
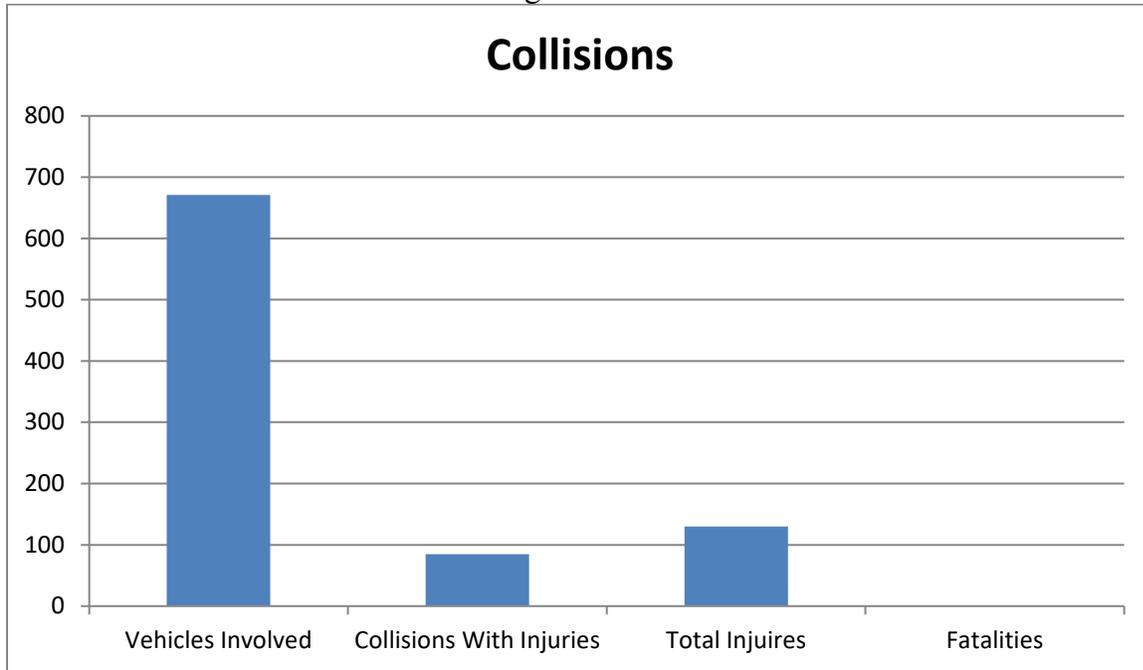
During this year's H.EA.T initiative, there were 353 traffic crashes inside the City of Milledgeville. Eighty-five of these crashes resulted in 130 total injuries. During the same period in 2017, there were 357 traffic crashes, 77 of which resulted in 120 total injuries. There was a 1.12% decrease in the number of traffic crashes from 2017; the number of collisions with injuries increased by 8.33%.

Additionally, MPD utilized a mobile RADAR trailer during the various warning periods of the H.E.A.T mobilization. This year, data shows that 34,568 drivers were alerted on speed through the RADAR trailer. The data collected from these samplings can be used later to determine problem areas for future initiatives and mobilizations. In addition to the enforcement activities enumerated above, MPD officers also handed out 4,000 pamphlets and brochures. These brochures are designed to educate and inform the motoring public about various traffic law related topics, including DUI, speeding, and occupant protection.

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