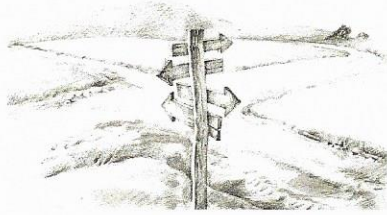


TOOLE COUNTY



Annual Plan
DUI TASK FORCE
SFY2023

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to the

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The Toole County DUI Task Force represents a diverse cross section of the community appointed by the Toole County Commissioners with the mission of promoting a healthier and safer environment for county residents by reducing the number of alcohol-related traffic crashes through environmental and enforcement strategies, public education, awareness, and legislation.

To enhance the effectiveness of Toole County's Community Transportation Safety Plan in preventing injuries, saving lives, and reducing economic costs of motor vehicle crashes, this plan supports the priority recommendations of the Montana Comprehensive Highway Safety Plan, Emphasis Area #2: Alcohol and Drug Impaired Driving Crashes.

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OVERVIEW:

The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) has established a program through which individual communities are able to request technical and financial support to develop a Community Transportation Safety Plan (CTSP). Technical and financial support was provided to assist the City of Shelby, located in Toole County, in identifying community safety issues, developing an inventory of existing efforts, identifying new strategies to implement, and developing a safety plan and implementation schedule. The Toole County DUI Task Force was formed as a result of the findings of the CTSP.

THE PROBLEM:

Research in transportation safety has shown that nearly every crash is preventable. In most regions, including Toole County, the largest contributing factor in crashes is human behavior. Drivers must appreciate the skill, training, and attention required to safely maneuver a powerful two-ton vehicle. Every time a person gets into a car, the driver is presented with the opportunity to make that trip as safe as possible by obeying traffic laws, focusing on the task of driving, not driving when fatigued or impaired by drugs or alcohol, and wearing a safety belt.