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**Governor's Office of Highway Safety Awards Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety
Grant to the Fulton County Sheriff's Office**

Atlanta, GA – The Fulton County Sheriff's Office is pleased to announce it has received a \$3,787.75 grant from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS).

The grant will support FCSO's Community Engagement Unit in delivering the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Children's Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety curriculum to elementary-aged children in Fulton County. Additionally, a Bike-a-Thon community event is planned for spring 2026.

"Part of the GOHS mission is to assist in the implementation of programs and campaigns designed to prevent crashes and eliminate traffic deaths on our roads," said Allen Poole, Director of the Governor's Office of Highway Safety. "GOHS will continue to develop new partnerships and continue existing ones in order to create, refine and implement safety programs designed to help our state and nation reach our goal of zero traffic deaths."

"Innovative projects like this are designed with the intent for Georgia and our nation to reach the realistic goal of zero traffic deaths by the middle of this century," said Allen Poole, Director of the Governor's Office of Highway Safety. "Each life saved on our roads is one less family that will have to live with the pain of losing a loved one whose life was taken from them in a traffic crash that was completely preventable."

"I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to the Governor's Office of Highway Safety for this grant to support bicycle and pedestrian safety in Fulton County," said Sheriff Patrick "Pat" Labat. "This amount represents an increase from last year's funding, and we are deeply grateful for their continued investment in our community. We appreciate this partnership and their ongoing commitment to protecting the well-being of our citizens."

The grant year for this award is October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026.

ABOUT THE FULTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE: The mission of the Fulton County Sheriff's Office is Service; through laser-focused efforts to protect the citizens of Fulton County with coordinated law enforcement operations, special strategic teams, and community outreach methods. The Sheriff's Office is constitutionally

responsible for the security of all courtrooms, executing arrest warrants, and serving civil papers. In addition, the Sheriff's Office is responsible for the administration and operation of the Fulton County Jail.

The Governor's Office of Highway Safety's mission is to educate the public on safe driving behaviors and implement highway safety campaigns and programs designed to reduce crashes and eliminate fatalities and injuries on Georgia roads.

For more information on this grant program, contact GOHS at 404-656-6996 and for more information on GOHS and its other highway safety programs, visit www.gahighwaysafety.org.

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