

WCSO writes 100s of tickets during speed safety enforcement

Washoe County sheriff's deputies issued more than 300 citations for speeding violations during a statewide Joining Forces traffic safety event in early March.

From March 2-18, 2018, the sheriff's office, along with the Reno and Sparks Police Departments, and the Nevada Highway Patrol dedicated extra officers to enforce speed safety laws as part of ongoing efforts to increase safety on Nevada's roads and highways.

Sheriff's Office staff assigned to this event initiated 434 traffic stops. Although a driver may be stopped for one violation, several other violations may be observed during the subsequent investigation making it possible that a driver may be issued citations for numerous violations.

The total number of violations cited and warnings issued during this event was 565. Of those, 317 citations were issued for speeding. Violations cited by the Sheriff's Office during this campaign include:

- 317 speeding
- 45 cell phone use/distracted driving
- 54 registration violations
- 46 no insurance
- 31 driver's license violations
- 9 equipment violations
- 3 fugitive arrests
- 3 red light violations
- 3 seat belt violations
- 2 failure to yield
- 1 child seat violation

- 1 reckless driving
- 1 pedestrian violation/driver at fault
- 4 other violations
- 45 warnings.

Sheriff's office participation in this Joining Forces speed enforcement campaign was made possible by grant funding received from the Nevada Department of Public Safety/Office of Traffic Safety.