



PRESS RELEASE

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GOHS Awards Grant to PAC

Richard A. Malone, Executive Director of the Prosecuting Attorneys' Council of Georgia, is pleased to announce the Council has received a grant in the amount of \$180,000 from the Georgia Governor's Office of Highway Safety for the period October 2010 – September 2011. In addition to funding a Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor position, this grant will provide much needed funding to train law enforcement officers and prosecutors throughout the state to more effectively detect and prosecute impaired and/or unsafe drivers. The Prosecuting Attorneys' Council is pleased to be partnered with the Governor's Office of Highway Safety and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in providing training designed to improve the effective adjudication of traffic safety criminal cases and the reduction of traffic safety violations. The grant provides funds for the Council to conduct two training courses developed by the American Prosecutors Research Institute under a grant from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). **PROTECTING LIVES, SAVING FUTURES** trains prosecutor and law enforcement teams to more effectively investigate and prosecute impaired driving cases and **LETHAL WEAPON** does the same for Vehicular Homicide and Serious Injury by Motor Vehicle cases. The grant also provides funds which will be utilized to target more rural areas of the state for direct in-office training of law enforcement officers and prosecutors. These rural areas have counties that regularly exceed the state average for fatalities and injuries related to traffic safety violations. The Prosecuting Attorneys' Council is pleased to be partnered with the Governor's Office of Highway Safety and NHTSA in providing this necessary and valuable training in Georgia.

To set up training in your jurisdiction, please contact Debbie Brown or Marci Hill at (404) 969-4001. Please visit our website at www.pacga.org for additional information.

