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South San Francisco, San Bruno, and Pacifica Police Departments Complete Joint ABC Grant

South San Francisco – The South San Francisco Police Department has completed a series of enforcement and education operations as part of a \$60,000 grant awarded by the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) for the 2024/2025 fiscal year. This grant, part of ABC's Alcohol Policing Partnership (APP), supports a longstanding collaboration among the South San Francisco, Pacifica, and San Bruno Police Departments.

"The grant supported our ongoing efforts to reduce alcohol-related incidents within our communities and allowed us to expand operations across South San Francisco, Pacifica, and San Bruno," said South San Francisco Police Lieutenant Amy Sariotti.

As part of the program, the departments conducted 14 operations and visited 69 licensed premises, contacting 62 individuals. The efforts led to eight citations issued to individuals for furnishing alcohol to minors.

The grant-funded activities included:

- Minor Decoy Operations
- Shoulder Tap Operations
- Statewide ABC Shoulder Tap Operation
- IMPACT Inspections
- LEAD Training with our ABC licensee holders
- General Alcohol Enforcement

"Minor Decoy and Shoulder Tap operations help restrict underage access to alcohol by deterring adults from selling to them," said ABC Chief Deputy Director Frank Robles. "These programs have steadily decreased the accessibility of minors to obtain alcohol from licensed premises and the general public."

The IMPACT program (Informed Merchants Preventing Alcohol-Related Crime Tendencies) is designed to educate licensees about their responsibilities and improve compliance. Officers identify areas of non-compliance, offer educational resources, and follow-up to ensure ongoing adherence-emphasizing education over enforcement.

Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The joint efforts of the South San Francisco, San Bruno, and Pacifica Police Departments will continue in the upcoming fiscal year, with a new ABC APP Grant awarded to the San Bruno Police Department.

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About the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control: The mission of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control is to provide the highest level of service and public safety to the people of the State through licensing, education, and enforcement.