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### **68 Drivers Issued Citations in Speeding Crackdown**

On Monday July 9<sup>th</sup>, officers from a special traffic enforcement detail conducted speeding enforcement operations on various streets throughout the city. This traffic enforcement saturation patrol was one of many being completed on various days throughout the year. Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Each saturation patrol consists of specially-trained officers using state-of-the-art lidar devices to check driver's speeds. Lidar is a highly-accurate laser device that measures distances down to inches and exact speeds of vehicles. The lidar devices are equipped with special optical sighting systems that can differentiate between vehicles; this allows officers to target the fastest vehicle on a roadway and obtain an exact speed reading.

During the crackdown, officers handed out a total of 68 citations. Officer focused enforcement on streets in the city with high traffic collision rates and in response to citizen's complaints. The average speed cited was over 15 miles per hour over the speed limit on the various roadways.

If you choose to speed in South San Francisco, expect to get a citation at a minimum. The goal of these operations is to remind motorists to drive with caution, obey the speed limit, and drive safely. Remember, "Buckle up. Slow Down. Pay Attention. Arrive Alive".



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