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Huntington Beach Police Department Receives Grant to Fight Alcohol-Related Harm- Huntington Beach receives \$71,663 from the California Alcohol Beverage Control.

The City of Huntington Beach announced today that the Huntington Beach Police Department (HBPD) has been awarded a \$71,663 grant from the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) to battle alcohol-related harm in the community.

“The Huntington Beach Police Department is proud to partner with the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to address the many issues pertaining to establishments providing alcohol to minors. The grant will enable the police department to deal with this serious issue more effectively,” said Chief Eric Parra.

The grant is one of several awarded in California to local law enforcement agencies through ABC’s Alcohol Policing Partnership (APP).

The grants strengthen local law enforcement efforts by combining the talents of local police officers and ABC agents. ABC agents have expertise in alcoholic beverage laws and can help communities reduce alcohol-related harm.

“The program can improve the quality of life in neighborhoods,” said ABC Director Eric Hirata. “We’ve seen a real difference in the communities where the grant program resources have been invested.”

The APP program was created in 1995 to strengthen partnerships between ABC and local law enforcement agencies. The program is designed to put bad operators out of business, keep alcohol away from minors and bring penalties such as fines, suspensions, or revocations against businesses that violate the law and cause harm to the community.

The funds will be used to reduce the number of alcoholic beverage sales to minors, obviously intoxicated patrons, illegal solicitations of alcohol, and other criminal activities such as the sale and possession of illegal drugs.

The APP program has distributed millions of dollars to local law enforcement to combat alcohol-related harm.

