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### **Greene County Combined Health District Receives Traffic Safety Grant**

(Xenia, Ohio) The Greene County Combined Health District has announced that the Ohio Department of Public Safety's Ohio Traffic Safety Office awarded \$32,400 in federal traffic safety funding to the Greene County Combined Health District for federal fiscal year 2010. The funds are passed through OTSO from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to support the efforts of safety partners statewide and focus on traffic safety priority areas such as restraint use, impaired driving, motorcycle safety and youthful drivers. In the past three years, Ohio's roadway fatalities have decreased to near record lows. There were 1,191 fatalities on Ohio's roads in 2008, down from 1,257 in 2007 and 1,239 in 2006.

Partnerships are critical to the long-term success of any safety effort and Greene County Combined Health District has identified that the Safe Communities Program is impacting the safety and welfare of the citizens of Greene County. To save lives and improve the quality of life for our citizens, Greene County Combined Health District will use the grant funds to promote safety on our roads and in our vehicles.

For more information about the Ohio Traffic Safety Office and statewide efforts to improve safety on Ohio's roadways, log onto <http://ohiohighwaysafetyoffice.ohio.gov/>.

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