



INFORMATION RELEASE

During 2016 the Grand Blanc Township Police Department was committed to keeping traffic safety a priority in an effort to make our roads and residents safer. This was a two pronged approach which included both education and enforcement. We worked with our media partners in getting the word out about safety on our roadways through programs such as “Operation Safe Arrival”, which reminds drivers about bus stops and school zones. The men and women of the Grand Blanc Township Police Department have also done a great job of education through their traffic contacts. While enforcement through citations or arrests is often warranted, our officers issued more than 6200 verbal warnings for violations that they observed.

We also knew if we were truly going to make a difference it started with our OWI/OID enforcement efforts. In 2016, officers arrested over 380 drivers for operating under the influence of drugs and or alcohol. This is the most arrests for these offenses made, by the department, in a single year. There were also over 500 people arrested for Driving While License Suspended. Taking these drivers off the road before they are involved in crashes saves lives.

In 2016 officers took 789 traffic crash reports. That is down from 853 crashes in 2015. During 2016 there were no traffic fatalities in Grand Blanc Township. This comes in a year when state wide fatalities were up and surpassed one thousand deaths for the first time in several years.

We will continue our commitment to making the roads of Grand Blanc Township safe. This not only takes education and enforcement, but cooperation from our residents, community partners, and the motoring public. We remind drivers to slow down and allow enough time to reach your destination safely. Avoid distractions, such as cell phones and texting while driving and equally as important do not drink and drive.