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## SAN FERNANDO POLICE CONDUCTING ABC GRANT OPERATIONS

SAN FERNANDO, CA - The San Fernando City Council recently unanimously voted to formally accept a grant from the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) for \$19,900. The grant is fully funded by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and administered by the California Department Alcohol Beverage Control.

According to San Fernando Police Department Chief Anthony Vairo, "this grant is being used to implement programs aimed at deterring minor/juvenile access to alcohol as part of the San Fernando Police Department's commitment to proactive enforcement towards preventing crime and an important part of our mission to improve the quality of life for all."

The grant has allowed members of the San Fernando Police Department and Alcohol Beverage Control to copartner to conduct four Informed Merchants Preventing Alcohol-Related Crime Tendencies (IMPACT) inspection operations at a majority of the licensed establishments within the City, with these continuing in the next month. These educational IMPACT inspections are going to be followed by three "Shoulder Tap" operations and three "Minor Decoy" operations between now and August 31, 2021.

The City of San Fernando currently has 56 businesses licensed by the Alcohol Beverage Control Board subject to these inspections and operations.

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