

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **ELLETTSVILLE POLICE RECEIVE NEW PORTABLE BREATH TESTERS**

ELLETTSVILLE, INDIANA (September 29, 2017): The Ellettsville Police Department has received 9 new Intoximeters brand FST Portable Breath Testers (PBT), with a total value of approximately \$5,500.00. The PBTs were granted for the department's participation in the statewide Operation Pull Over (OPO) and Operating While Intoxicated (OWI) traffic enforcement campaigns over the past year. The Indiana Criminal Justice Institute periodically holds application processes to make new equipment available to the law enforcement agencies that participate in these statewide grants. Deputy Marshal Mark Freeman, who facilitates the local participation of the Ellettsville Police Department in these grants, saw the opportunity to apply for this valuable equipment and the department's efforts to excel in these programs were recognized and rewarded.

During the 2016/2017 grant period alone, the Ellettsville Police Department conducted 1,157 traffic stops, resulting in the issuance of 457 citations, 833 warnings and 56 criminal arrests.

