



Orange County Auto Theft Task Force honored as the "Auto-Theft.info Heroes of the Month".

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([PRWEB](#)) October 19, 2002 ---- October 18, 2002 ---- Auto-Theft.info, the leading online auto-theft information clearinghouse, and Winner International, LLC, makers of The Club®®, the No. 1 selling vehicle anti-theft device recognize the Orange County Auto Theft Task Force as the "Auto Theft Heroes of the Month."

Each month Auto-Theft.info reviews news articles and submitted recommendations from its affiliated partners to select an individual or team that has performed heroically in the battle against auto theft. The individual(s) selected is awarded the honorary title of "Auto Theft Hero of the Month".

October 2002's "Auto-Theft Hero Of The Month" award is awarded to the group of crimefighters at the Orange County Auto Theft Task Force (OCATT) in Southern California. Many Orange County law enforcement agencies are involved in OCATT, which began operations in July 1993. These include the police departments in Anaheim, Brea, Buena Park, Costa Mesa, Fullerton, Garden Grove, Huntington Beach, La Habra, Newport Beach, Placentia, Santa Ana, and Westminster. Other agencies involved include the California Highway Patrol, the California Department of Insurance, the Orange County District Attorney's Office, and Orange County Sheriffs Department.

OCATT currently has nineteen full-time auto theft detectives assigned from local police departments, one lieutenant, two sergeants, two full-time deputy district attorneys, two administrative assistants, and a full time accountant. Agents from the National Insurance Crime Bureau, the Orange County Probation Department, the Department of Motor Vehicles, and the Department of Insurance also participate in the program.

292 vehicles were successfully recovered by OCATT personnel in 2001 worth an estimated \$3,836,588. The average value of the vehicle they recovered was \$13,139.

OCATT detectives made 59 physical arrests of vehicle theft suspects during 2001. Additionally, OCATT detectives filed criminal complaints on another 48 suspects. OCATT detectives assisted allied agency personnel make an additional 88 arrests during the same time period.

As part of their award, OCATT will receive a set of complimentary Club anti-theft devices from Winner International to raffle off at their holiday party.

About Auto-Theft.info

Auto-Theft.info is presented by Collaborative Information Services Inc., and is the leading online auto-theft information clearinghouse. In addition to its "Auto Theft Hero of the Month", Auto-Theft.info features news



articles, product information, and links to other websites that provide valuable information about preventing and deterring auto theft.

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