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IMPAIRED DRIVER ENFORCEMENT NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY DEPLOYMENT

The Tucson Police Department Impaired Driver Enforcement Unit will have increased DUI enforcement efforts this New Year's holiday weekend as part of the Southern Arizona DUI Task Force.

Starting December 29, 2017, through December 31, 2017, officers from the Tucson Police Department will conduct high visibility DUI deployments throughout the community. Along with other participating law enforcement agencies from Southern Arizona, the Tucson Police Department will deploy additional officers and resources in DUI saturation patrols. The goal of the saturation patrols is to increase the awareness of motorists regarding the dangers of impaired driving, deter those who may be impaired from driving and investigate DUI offenses to reduce the number of impaired drivers on the roadway. These saturation patrols are an important component in the Tucson Police Department's continued effort to combat impaired driving and reduce injuries and deaths.

This DUI deployment is the 14th designated weekend DUI deployment the Tucson Police Department will participate in this year as part of the Southern Arizona DUI Task Force. Funding was made available through a grant awarded by the Governor's Office of Highway Safety for the purpose of conducting DUI saturation patrols and DUI Task Force operations.

The Tucson Police Department would like to remind drivers to stay sober. Anyone choosing to consume alcohol is encouraged to utilize a designated sober driver, taxicab or ride-share service to avoid putting lives at risk. Driving under the influence is against the law and 100% preventable. Please, make the right choice to ensure you have a safe and enjoyable New Year's holiday.

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