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SOUTHERN ARIZONA DUI TASK FORCE CINCO DE MAYO DEPLOYMENT *****UPDATE – MAY 9, 2012*****

The Southern Arizona DUI Task Force, with the assistance from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety, have concluded their Cinco de Mayo holiday deployments. The enforcement activities began on May 3, 2012 and concluded on May 5, 2012. They were conducted in the Tucson - Pima County area in order to detect, investigate, and remove those drivers found to be impaired to the *slightest degree* from the use of alcohol and/or drugs on the public highways and streets of the community.

The statistics provided below represent deployment activities accomplished by twenty-five officers, deployed from the following agencies: the Tucson Police Department, the Pima County Sheriff's Department, the Arizona Department of Public Safety, the University of Arizona Police Department, the Pima Community College Police Department, the South Tucson Police Department, the Oro Valley Police Department, the Marana Police Department, and the Sahuarita Police Department.

The Task Force, along with the Governor's Office of Highway Safety, wishes to thank the public for the high number of Sober Designated Drivers observed during this holiday season. Together we can continue to make a difference! Please remember for 2012 – "Drive Hammered, Get Nailed! Get a DD not a DUI!"

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	5/3	5/4	5/5	Total
Total Contacts	800*	375	451*	1,626
Sober Designated Drivers	38	26	45	109
Total DUI Arrests	20	37	41	98
DUI Arrests - Felony	2	4	6	12
DUI Arrests - Misdemeanors	18	33	35	86
Average B.A.C.	.130	.140	.137	.136
Extreme DUI Arrests (BAC .15 Or Above)	5	14	14	33
DUI Drug Arrests	2	2	5	9
DUI Arrestees With DUI Priors	0	4	5	9
DUI Arrests Under 21 Years Old	2	3	7	12
Underage Drinking Arrests	2	8	11	21
Child Restraint Citations	1	3	0	4
Seat Belt Citations	4	11	10	25
Other Citations	124	256	244	624

* Sobriety Checkpoint Conducted

Sergeant Chris Andreacola – May 9, 2012

The Southern Arizona DUI Task Force with the assistance of the Governor's Office of Highway Safety will be deploying in conjunction with agencies throughout the State for this year's Cinco de Mayo celebrations. The goal of the deployment is to reduce the injuries and deaths associated with impaired drivers by reducing collisions where impairment is a factor. By conducting these deployments, we will be able to increase the awareness of motorists about the dangers of impaired driving, deter those who may be impaired from driving, as well as detect and investigate DUI offenses to reduce the number of impaired drivers on the road.

Members of the media are welcome to attend the deployment briefings at 8:00 p.m., Friday and Saturday nights, May 4th and 5th. The briefings will be held at the Tucson Police Department Operations Division West Substation located at 1310 West Miracle Mile.

The Southern Arizona DUI Task Force consists of agencies from throughout southern Arizona including the Tucson Police Department, the Pima County Sheriff's Department, the Marana Police Department, the Nogales Police Department, the Oro Valley Police Department, the Pima College Police Department, the Sahuarita Police Department, the South Tucson Police Department, the Tucson Airport Authority Police Department, the University of Arizona Police Department, the National Park Service and the Arizona Department of Public Safety.

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