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**Winter Holiday DUI Campaign Update**

**SANTA ANA, California** (December 18, 2012) – The Winter Holiday Anti-DUI crackdown has resulted in numerous DUI arrests over the weekend from local routine traffic enforcement and special 'Avoid the 38' DUI Task Force deployments in Orange County.

From 12:01 a.m. on Friday, December 14 through midnight Sunday, December 16, 2012 officers representing 38 county law enforcement agencies have arrested 158 individuals for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs. There were no DUI deaths over the weekend. (NOTE: These numbers are only provisional with some agencies yet to report.)

In the next several days of the campaign, a DUI/driver's license checkpoint will be conducted in the city of Westminster. DUI saturation patrols will be deployed in the cities of Los Alamitos, Orange and Anaheim. Cal State Fullerton and UC Irvine Police will also be conducting DUI saturation patrols.

All regularly scheduled traffic and patrol officers will also focus efforts at stopping and arresting DUI drivers during their normal shifts. Multiple DUI/driver's license checkpoints, multi-agency DUI Task Force operations and local roving DUI patrols are all part of this region-wide crackdown during the 19-day Winter Holiday Campaign.

Police, Sheriff and the CHP encourage all motorists to help make your community safe by reporting drunk drivers by calling 911. Grant funding for this program is provided by the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

DUI arrest data collection will continue through the New Year's holiday.



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