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Wood Dale Police Department “Driver Sober or Get Pulled Over” Holiday Crackdown Announces Holiday Crackdown results

Wood Dale Illinois – Wood Dale Police today announced the results of the recent year-end traffic safety push called “Drive to Survive.” The enforcement campaign was designed to lower motor vehicle fatalities due to not buckling up or to driving under the influence. According to data from the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), the midnight to 3 a.m. timeframe is the deadliest time on Illinois roadways, and 9 p.m. is the time of day when data shows that alcohol involvement and low seat belt use begins to play a much more significant role in motor vehicle fatalities. Data shows alcohol and lack of belt use continues throughout the nighttime hours until 6 a.m.

The Wood Dale Police Department made **5** DUI arrests and **2** other significant arrests during the recent “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over / Click It or Ticket” Holiday Crackdown,” said Sgt. Mike Peters. 6 of the arrests were made after midnight. In addition, **7** seat belt citations were written -- **2** of which were written during nighttime hours.

Law enforcement agencies throughout Illinois participated in this statewide effort that ran from Dec. 17 through New Year’s Eve

The Wood Dale Police Department joined forces with other state and local law enforcement and highway safety partners in conducting the crackdown campaign, featuring high-visibility

enforcement combined with a variety of outreach activities including a strategic media campaign and additional enforcement activity.

Extra emphasis was given to the late-night hours of 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. when statistics show the highest number of motorists drink and drive and the fewest motorists buckle up.

This law enforcement crackdown was funded by federal traffic safety grants through IDOT's Division of Traffic Safety and is part of the statewide "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" and "Click It or Ticket" campaigns.

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