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## **Police to Conduct Sobriety Checkpoint**

In an effort to promote awareness and reduce the number of alcohol-impaired drivers on the roads, the Howard County Police Department will conduct a sobriety checkpoint this week at an undisclosed location. Police are reminding citizens to designate a sober driver or refrain from drinking alcohol if their plans include driving.

Last year, 12 people died in alcohol-related collisions and 1,086 people were arrested and charged with driving under the influence (DUI). So far this year, seven people have died in alcohol-related collisions and 886 people have been arrested and charged with DUI.

Police hope that by promoting awareness about the dangers of drinking and driving, the number of drivers under the influence will decline, reducing collisions and injuries.

Please remember to drink responsibly, drive safely and always wear your seatbelt!

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