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Holiday Checkpoint Scheduled as Part of 3-D Campaign

During the holiday season officers around the county are focusing their enforcement efforts on the three D's- Drinking and Drugged Driving. Part of this campaign includes a sobriety checkpoint that will begin in the next 48 hours at an undisclosed location. The department is urging citizens to designate a driver before participating in any of the holiday parties that include alcohol consumption.

This checkpoint is one of many staffed throughout the year as part of Operation *Checkpoint Strikeforce*, a statewide campaign that began in August and will continue through the New Year. The police department, an active participant in the campaign, is attempting to reduce the number of drivers under the influence of alcohol or drugs who risk injuring or killing themselves and others on the roadways.

The police department reminds you to never drink and drive and wear your seatbelt during every trip!

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