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Results: 22 Drivers Arrested During Weekend DUII Blitz

September 2, 2018

During the two night DUII mission, more than 30 law enforcement officers worked together to arrest 22 impaired drivers. Notable incidents included:

- DUII driver clocked at 114 miles per hour on Highway 26
- Two men arrested for DUII after trying to drive through a fatal crash scene
- Driver hit a car, fled, captured, arrested for DUII and Failure to Perform the Duties of a Driver
- Arrests for unlawful possession of heroin and MDMA
- Numerous citations and warnings issued

The Sheriff's Office specifically wants to thank our amazing dispatchers at WCCCA for their support during this mission. Note: these statistics only include DUII drivers arrested by officers assigned to this mission and are not a county-wide total for all DUII drivers arrested over the time period.

The original media release is below:

8 Portland-area Agencies Planning Labor Day Weekend DUII Mission

August 30, 2018

On August 31 and September 1, 2018, law enforcement officers from eight metro agencies will join forces for a targeted DUII enforcement mission along Highway 26 and Highway 217. National statistics show an increase in the number of traffic fatalities, including a higher death rate during holiday weekends like Labor Day. This two-night mission is designed to educate and deter people from getting behind the wheel while impaired and to take enforcement against impaired drivers.

Dozens of officers will saturate the area to focus on drivers impaired by alcohol, drugs, or any controlled substances. Officers specifically trained as drug recognition experts will be on scene to evaluate drivers who are under the influence of controlled substances or drugs like marijuana.

Highway reader boards will also be used to inform drivers of the mission and the increased police presence. Media members are encouraged to contact the Washington County Sheriff's Office PIO to arrange interviews and ride-alongs during the event.

Officers from the following agencies are scheduled to participate:

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- Beaverton Police Department
- Hillsboro Police Department
- Multnomah County Sheriff's Office
- North Plains Police Department
- Oregon State Police
- Portland Police Bureau
- Tigard Police Department
- Washington County Sheriff's Office

The agencies will be supported by dispatchers from the the Washington County Consolidated Communications Agency (WCCCA) and by employees of the Oregon Department of Transportation.

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