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### **DUI Enforcement Operation Planned this Weekend**

Ontario, CA – Officers from the Ontario Police Department’s DUI Enforcement Team will be deploying this weekend to stop and arrest alcohol and drug-impaired drivers in the department’s ongoing traffic safety campaign. DUI Saturation Patrols will deploy on Friday, July 1, 2016 between the hours of 6 p.m. and 2 a.m. in areas with high frequencies of DUI collisions and / or arrest.

“The goal of this grant is to keep the roadways safe for our community,” said Lieutenant John Duffield who manages the Ontario Police Department’s Traffic Division. “This is a ‘Zero Tolerance’ crackdown so Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over!”

After falling dramatically for five straight years, figures for 2012 show and increase to 802 deaths because someone failed to designate a sober driver. Over the course of the past three years, DUI collisions have claimed 31 lives and resulted in 156 injury crashes harming 215 of our friends and neighbors.

DUI can impact the economy in addition to the pain and suffering of those immediately affected. Conservatively, a fatality has a \$1.4 million impact, and injury \$70, 000, and a crash that only damages property averages nearly \$9000.

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