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DUI CHECKPOINT Results



On Friday, September 28, 2018 between 8:00 PM and 2:30 AM the following morning, the Torrance Police Department Traffic Unit conducted a DUI/Drivers License checkpoint in the 5400 block of Torrance Boulevard. The checkpoint was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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- 3 drivers were arrested for **DUI ALCOHOL.**
- 12 drivers were cited for SUSPENDED or NO LICENSE.
- 19 drivers were cited for VEHICLE CODE VIOLATIONS.
- 594 vehicles were SCREENED.
- 1,304 vehicles passed through the checkpoint.

Our Police Department offers these reminders to ensure a fun night doesn't get spoiled with a DUI:

- Decide <u>before</u> you go out whether you plan to drink or drive. You can't do both.
- If you plan to drink, designate a sober driver <u>before</u> going out, or map out another way to get home safely by taking a cab, ride-share service like Uber or Lyft, or using public transportation. You can also look up designated driver services in your area using the <u>National Directory of Designated Driver Services (NDDDS)</u>.
- If you are a DD, bars and restaurants statewide have created non-alcoholic specialty drinks ("DDrinks") for sober drivers: <u>http://bit.ly/OTSDDrinks</u>
- If you happen to see a drunk driver on the road, call 911. Offer a description of the vehicle, location and direction of travel.
- See your friend or other patron impaired trying to get behind the wheel? Take the keys or help them make other arrangements to get where they are going safely.

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