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DUI CHECKPOINT Results



On Friday, August 23, 2019 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**
- 3 drivers were cited for SUSPENDED LICENSE
- 11 drivers were cited for NO LICENSE
- 3 vehicles were *IMPOUNDED*
- 692 vehicles and drivers were SCREENED

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.
- "DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze." Prescription drugs, particularly those with a driving or operating machinery warning on the label, can impair and result in a DUI. Marijuana can also be impairing, especially in combination with alcohol or other drugs.
- 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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