

Placerville Police News Release



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PLACERVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT PLANS DUI/DRIVER'S LICENSE CHECKPOINT THIS WEEKEND

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Placerville, Calif. – Placerville Police Department will hold a DUI/Driver's License checkpoint on August 21, 2020 at an undisclosed location within the city of Placerville limits.

While many of us have been staying at home during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Placerville Police Department is reminding everyone who does need to drive to do so while sober.

"The dangers of drinking and driving are very real," Sgt. Dan Maciel said. "That includes drugs that affect your ability to drive. Please be responsible and think of your family and friends before considering driving when you are not in a position to do so safely."

To protect you and your family, the Placerville Police Department will have additional officers on patrol from August 21 through the Labor Day weekend September 7 looking for suspected impaired drivers. The increased efforts to address impaired driving are part of a national enforcement campaign, *Driver Sober or Get Pulled Over*.

While less people are traveling, impaired driving continues to be a problem. During the 4th of July holiday, the CHP made 738 arrests for DUI over a 54-hour period.

Driving while impaired is illegal, whether it is alcohol, prescription drugs, over-the-counter medications or marijuana.

If you plan on drinking or taking medications with a “may cause drowsiness” or other driving warning label, plan on staying home. If you see someone driving impaired, call 911.

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