

# Placerville Police News Release



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## DRIVE SOBER or GET PULLED OVER THIS HOLIDAY SEASON *NATIONAL ENFORCEMENT CAMPAIGN THROUGH NEW YEAR'S*

### NEWS RELEASE

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Placerville, Calif. – Placerville Police Department encourages everyone attending holiday parties and gatherings where alcohol may be involved to use a designated sober driver.

This holiday season, from Dec. 13 to New Year's, Placerville Police Department will have more officers on patrol looking for drivers suspected of being under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

In addition, Placerville Police Department will hold a DUI/Driver's License checkpoint on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 6 pm to 12 am at an undisclosed location in the city of Placerville.

“Unfortunately, this time of year is when we see more people driving impaired,” said traffic sergeant Dan Maciel of the Placerville Police Department. “There is no excuse for driving after drinking or using drugs that impair. There are many ways to get home safely without driving.”

Placerville Police Department reminds the public that impaired driving is not just from alcohol. Prescription medications, over-the-counter drugs and marijuana can also impair, especially in combination with alcohol and other drugs.

So if you are hosting a holiday party, offer non-alcoholic drinks for designated sober drivers and monitor how people are getting home. If someone has been drinking and tries to leave, offer to have them stay the night or take ride-share home.

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