Summer/Labor Day AVOID DUI Campaign Update

DUI Arrests Up & No DUI Fatalities

SANTA ANA, Calif. (August 18, 2014) – The first weekend of the end of summer DUI Mobilization has resulted in a number of DUI arrests from local routine traffic enforcement and special ‘Avoid the 38’ DUI deployments in Orange County.

From 12:01 AM Friday, August 15, 2014 through Midnight Sunday, August 17, 2014 officers countywide arrested 169 individuals for driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs. In 2013, 149 DUI arrests occurred during the same three day time frame. There were no DUI related deaths over the weekend (NOTE: These numbers are only provisional with some agencies yet to report).

Over the next several days of the campaign, extra DUI Saturation Patrols will be deployed in several cities throughout Orange County. All regularly scheduled traffic and patrol officers will also focus efforts at stopping and arresting DUI drivers during their normal shifts.

DUI arrest data collection will continue through Labor Day, midnight Monday, September 1, 2014. Avoid programs, named for the number of police agencies in each county, are deploying multiple DUI/Driver’s License Checkpoints, Multi-Agency DUI Task Force operations and local Roving DUI patrols region wide during the 18 day Summer/Labor Day Campaign.

Sheriff, Police and the CHP encourage all motorists to help make our community safer: Report Drunk Drivers – Call 911.

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