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Schaumburg Police begins July Fourth traffic safety campaign for drunk drivers and seat belt use



Schaumburg Police Department announced its plan for July Fourth increasing traffic enforcement with a focus on drunk and unbuckled drivers. The traffic safety campaign will run from June 25 through July 8 to encompass the Independence Day holiday, an all too often deadly time on Illinois roads.

“We encourage local residents to celebrate Independence Day safely,” said Sgt. Christy Lindhurst. “If you’re going to drink, don’t drive. Too many people die behind the wheel each year because of those who choose to drive impaired by alcohol or other drugs. Our officers will be out ensuring safety, showing zero tolerance for impaired drivers.”

The Schaumburg Police Department will join the Illinois State Police and more than 150 local police and sheriff’s departments for the increased statewide enforcement effort.

Important tips for a safe July Fourth include:

- Give your designated driver your keys before you go out.
- If you are drunk or impaired by marijuana or other drugs, call a taxi, take mass transit, use your favorite ride-sharing service, or call a sober friend or family member to get you home safely.
- Promptly report drunk drivers to law enforcement by pulling over and dialing 911.
- Make sure everyone in your vehicle wears their seat belt. It is your best defense against an impaired driver.

The *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* and *Click It or Ticket* campaign is funded by federal traffic safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation.



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