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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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Release Date/Time: November 8th, 2014 at 4:00 AM

Subject: DUI Checkpoint Nets 2 DUI Arrests

Case Number: N/A

## **Details:**

The Huntington Beach Police Department Traffic Unit conducted a DUI/Drivers License checkpoint on Friday, November 7th at Beach Boulevard and Slater Avenue between the hours of 7:30 p.m. and 2:30 a.m. Checkpoints are placed in locations that have the greatest opportunity for achieving drunk and drugged driving deterrence and provide the greatest safety for officers and the public.

DUI/Drivers License checkpoints have been shown to lower DUI deaths and injuries. A major component of these checkpoints are the deterrent effects it has on those who might drive drunk or drug impaired, bringing about more awareness and encouraging everyone to use sober designated drivers.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), checkpoints have provided the most effective documented results of any of the DUI enforcement strategies, while also yielding considerable cost savings of \$6 for every \$1 spent. Ninety Percent of California drivers approve of checkpoints.

Below are the results from this evening's checkpoint.

2384 Vehicles through checkpoint

- 1431 Vehicles Screened
- 8 Standardized Field Sobriety Tests (SFST) administered
- 2 DUI-Alcohol suspects arrested
- Drivers cited for operating a vehicle unlicensed or while suspended/revoked
- 3 Citations issued

The Huntington Beach Police Department will be conducting another DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint on Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014, in our ongoing commitment to lowering deaths and injuries upon our streets and highways.

The checkpoint was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Report Drunk Drivers – Call 9-1-1!

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