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Impaired-Driving Enforcement to be conducted during the holidays *Police Aim to Save Lives With 'Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over'*

Police departments throughout Chester County, in conjunction with the Chester County DUI Taskforce, will increase impaired driving enforcement operations this holiday season. Beginning December 16, and continuing through January 1, Police will be extra vigilant in detecting and arresting drunk drivers around the County.

Due to the increase in drunk-driving-related fatalities around the holidays each year, police will be increasing the number of sobriety checkpoints and roving DUI patrols and are committed to reducing the number of impaired driving crashes, injuries and fatalities in Chester County.

In 2013, 10,076 people were killed in crashes involving a drunk driver. In December 2013 alone, there were 733 people killed in crashes involving at least one driver or motorcycle operator with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 or higher. Twenty-three of those deaths occurred on Christmas Day.

Drivers are reminded to please follow these tips to keep the holidays safe and happy:

- Even one drink can impair your judgment and increase the risk of getting arrested for driving drunk—or worse, the risk of having a crash.
- If you will be drinking, do not plan on driving. Plan ahead; designate a sober driver before the party begins.
- If you have been drinking, do not drive. Call a taxi, phone a sober friend or family member or use public transportation.

Remember, driving after drinking should never be an option. *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over.*

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