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**Enjoy Super Bowl LVI responsibly**  
*Choose a sober way to go*

**Ventura, Calif.** — Whether you've come for the Cincinnati Bengals, the Los Angeles Rams, the commercials, or the love of the game, the Ventura Police Department reminds football fans to designate a sober driver if drinking at a Super Bowl LVI watch party.

On Super Bowl Sunday, February 13, the Ventura Police Department will have additional officers on patrol looking to deter, detect, and stop drivers suspected of being under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

"When it comes to getting to and from your watch party safely, we're all on the same team," said Officer Chris Wilson. "The choice is simple, don't drive impaired. Have a ride share service or a sober friend take you home instead."

If your Super Bowl plans include drinking, make a game plan and know the rules:

- In California, it is illegal to drive with a Blood Alcohol Content, or BAC, of .08% or higher. Even if you have only one alcoholic drink, it's always safer to designate a sober driver.
- If the driver is under 21 years old, it is illegal to driver with a BAC of .01% or higher.
- Don't let friends drive drunk. If someone has been drinking, take their keys and help arrange a safe ride.
- If you see a drunk driver on the road, call 911 immediately and take note of the vehicle, license plate number, and direction of travel.

The Ventura Police Department reminds the public that alcohol is not the only substance that impairs. Marijuana, prescription drugs, and over-the-counter medications can impact safety and awareness when driving. Know the potential side effects of certain drugs.

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