

DUI Checkpoint Nets 3 Arrests



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Location: City of Ventura.

Date/Time Occurred: Friday, Friday, May 24, 2014

Officer(s) Involved: Traffic/Motor Officers

Narrative:

Ventura CA – The Ventura Police Department Traffic Unit hosted an “Avoid The 14th Multi Agency DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint” on Friday May 23, 2014. This checkpoint was located eastbound Thompson Blvd. at California St. in the City of Ventura. The Checkpoint was established at 9:00 pm and finished at 2:30 am. The following agencies participated in this multi agency checkpoint: Oxnard Police Department, Ventura County Sheriffs Thousands Oaks, Ventura County Sheriffs Ojai, Ventura County Sheriffs Moorpark, Ventura County Sheriffs Camarillo, Ventura County Sheriffs Fillmore, Port Hueneme Police Department, California State University Channel Islands, Simi Police Department and the state agency, Alcohol Beverage Control.

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 drugged 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.

411 Vehicles Screened

3 DUI-Alcohol suspects arrested

0 DUI-Drug impaired suspects arrested

1 Suspects arrested for illegal drugs (possession/transportation/sales)

8 Drivers cited/arrested for operating a vehicle unlicensed or while suspended/revoked

0 Arrested on other Criminal Charges

12 Citations issued

Ventura PD will be conducting another DUI/Drivers License Checkpoint and DUI saturation Patrol on throughout the year and it is 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!