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## SEAL BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT CONDUCTING DUI PATROLS DECEMBER 16

Seal Beach, CA – Due to logistical constraints, the planned driving under the influence (DUI) Checkpoint scheduled for December 16 has been canceled. Instead, the Seal Beach Police Department will be out on December 16 from 7 p.m. to 3 a.m. looking for drivers suspected of DUI.

"Impaired driving is preventable," Chief Michael Henderson said. "It's a choice. If you've been drinking or taken drugs that impair, make the right choice by finding a sober driver or alternate transportation to take you places."

Seal Beach Police Department reminds the public that impaired driving is not just from alcohol. Some prescription medications and over-the-counter drugs may interfere with driving. Always follow directions for use and read warning labels about driving. While medicinal and recreational marijuana are legal, driving under the influence of marijuana is illegal.

Drivers caught driving impaired and charged with a first-time DUI face an average of \$13,500 in fines and penalties, as well as a suspended license.

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