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Police to Crack Down on DWI March 16-20

Impaired driving contributes to 30 percent of all Missouri traffic fatalities. In 2010, 281 people were killed and 1,141 seriously injured in crashes involving an impaired driver. The SPD joins other Missouri law enforcement agencies to crack down on drunk driving effective March 16-20.

The SPD will participate in statewide sobriety checkpoints and DWI saturation patrols enforcing Missouri's DWI laws and keeping impaired drivers off the road.

The consequences of drunk driving include jail time, loss of driving privileges, or being sentenced to use ignition interlocks. Insurance rates go up and other financial losses include attorney fees, court costs, lost time at work and the potential loss of their job.

Drunk driving is not worth the consequences to yourself and others.

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