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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Menifee, Calif. –The Menifee Police Department sent out a two-officer DUI Enforcement team to seek DUI drivers on Friday, May 5th, 2023, between the hours of 7pm-3am. Several drivers were stopped for various vehicle code violations and one driver was arrested for DUI.

The residents of Menifee can rest assured the Menifee Police Department is committed to keeping our streets safe from dangerous drivers and conducting patrols such as this, shows our commitment to public safety. The Menifee Police Department will continue to have DUI Enforcement teams throughout the year as we are committed to getting these dangerous drivers off the streets.

"Driving under the influence is dangerous, illegal and puts every person driving on the roads at risk. Drivers need to understand the dangers of driving impaired," Sergeant Matthew Bloch said. "We are out there and will not hesitate to stop drivers who drive impaired."

Drivers charged with DUI face an average of \$13,500 in fines and penalties, as well as a suspended license.

Menifee Police Department reminds the public that impaired driving is not just from alcohol. Some prescription medications or over-the-counter drugs may interfere with driving. Always follow directions for use and read warning labels about driving or" operating heavy machinery," which includes driving a car. While medicinal and recreational marijuana are legal, driving under the influence of marijuana is illegal.

The Menifee Police Department will be holding a series of DUI enforcement patrols throughout the year to keep our roadway's safe.

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