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Menifee Police Department Holding DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint December 16th, 2023

Menifee, Calif. – Menifee Police Department will hold a DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint December 16th, 2023 from 7:00 pm to 2:00 am at an undisclosed location within the Menifee city limits.

DUI checkpoint locations are determined based on data showing incidents of impaired driving-related crashes. The primary purpose of DUI checkpoints is to promote public safety by taking suspected impaired drivers off the road.

During the checkpoint, officers will look for signs that drivers are under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

The Menifee Police Department is committed to keeping our community safe and free of DUI drivers not only do we conduct checkpoints, but we also send out individual police units throughout the year to look for these dangerous drivers.

"Impaired drivers put others on the road at significant risk," Chief Chris Karrer said. "Any prevention measures that reduce the number of impaired drivers on our roads significantly improves traffic safety."

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.

If you plan on drinking or taking medications that may impact your ability to drive safely, plan on staying at home.

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

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Chris Karrer

Chief of Police

