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Memorial Day Weekend Enforcement Nets 26 DUI Arrests

On Friday May 25, 2012, and Saturday May 26, 2012, the San Diego Police Department's Traffic Division held DUI Checkpoints in the Pacific Beach area in the 1600 block of Garnet Avenue and in the 2600 block of Ingraham Street. These checkpoints were made possible by the "DUI Awareness and Enforcement Grant."

1957 vehicles passed through the checkpoints. 1392 of those motorists were contacted by officers. 39 motorists were detained for a further evaluation of their sobriety. 20 arrests were made for DUI in or near the checkpoints, and 18 vehicle impounds were conducted. On Sunday May 27, 2012, officers arrested an additional six drivers for DUI via roving DUI saturation patrols.

Funding for this DUI operation was provided to the San Diego Police Department by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, targeting those who still don't heed the message to designate a sober driver. Citizens are encouraged to report Drunk Drivers by – Calling 9-1-1!

MEDIA NOTES: To schedule an interview regarding the San Diego Traffic Safety Operations, please contact Officer Mark McCullough at (619) 818-4860 or via email at mmccullough@pd.sandiego.gov. To schedule an interview regarding impaired driving efforts and programs in California, please contact Chris Cochran, California Office of Traffic Safety at (916) 509-3063 or via email at ccoehran@ots.ca.gov.