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DWI HOLIDAY ENFORCEMENT

In an effort to prevent crash-related highway incidents and injuries during this holiday weekend, the Plano Police Department will again utilize the Texas Department of Transportation Impaired Driving Mobilization Grant. The TXDOT Impaired Driving Mobilization Grant targets four specific time periods through the year when impaired driving is most prevalent. These time periods begin just prior to and end just after the Winter Holidays, Spring Break, Independence Day, and Labor Day. As a result, the Plano Police Department will be seeking out and stopping motorists who drive under the influence of drugs or alcohol for the enforcement of DWI on our area streets and roadways.

This special detail of additional DWI enforcement officers will complement the high level of patrol already on the street during this time. The winter holiday timeframe is one of the most traveled times of the year and the additional officers, along with a full complement of highway safety strategies, will hopefully prevent many of the injuries and motor vehicle crashes that occur as a result of driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

These additional officers, along with the high level of patrol enforcement already in place, began working this DWI enforcement detail on December 21, 2010 and will continue through January 1, 2011. With this heightened level of law enforcement involvement, violators are more likely than ever to be pulled over and arrested for DWI during this holiday season.

As we celebrate this holiday season, the Plano Police Department would like to remind everyone that they should buckle up, drive sober, and obey our speed limits and traffic laws.

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