

**Lake County Sheriff's Office  
John D. Idleburg, Sheriff**

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**Holiday Traffic Safety Campaign Results**

The Lake County Sheriff's Office conducted additional traffic enforcement over the holidays from December 17<sup>th</sup> to January 2<sup>nd</sup>, reminding motorists to drive sober and buckle up as part of the Illinois *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* enforcement effort. The Lake County Sheriff's Office joined the Lake County Division of Transportation, Illinois State Police, and local law enforcement agencies across Illinois to reduce motor vehicle crashes, injuries, and deaths through public information, arresting impaired drivers, and issuing seat belt and other vehicle code violations.

During the 16-day traffic safety campaign, the Lake County Sheriff's Office recorded the following:

- **2** DUI arrests
- **78** seat belt citations
- **40** speeding citations
- **9** suspended/revoked licenses
- **8** uninsured motorists
- **3** fugitives apprehended
- **23** other citations

Sheriff John Idleburg said, "While this specific traffic safety campaign might be over, our Sheriff's Deputies will remain vigilant to locate and arrest impaired drivers. Drunk driving is extremely dangerous. I can't stress it enough, if you've had too much to drink, or have consumed drugs, don't get behind the wheel!"

The *Click It or Ticket/Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* enforcement effort is funded with federal highway safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

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