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Holiday Traffic Safety Campaign

The Lake County Sheriff's Office is partnering with the Illinois Department of Transportation, Illinois State Police, and nearly 200 police departments and sheriff's offices across the state in the upcoming holiday traffic safety campaign. The goal is simple: get impaired drivers off the roads and help save lives.

This high-visibility enforcement campaign, *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over*, runs December 16 to January 2. Law enforcement will show zero tolerance for drunk or drugged driving. We aim to drastically reduce impaired driving on our roads through an increased number of state and national messages about the dangers of impaired driving and more officers enforcing life-saving seat belt, speeding and distracted driving laws.

Alcohol-impaired driving isn't the only risk on the road. Drug-impaired driving is also on the rise. If drivers are impaired by any substance — whether alcohol or drugs — they should not get behind the wheel.

Sheriff John Idleburg said, "We want the community to enjoy their holiday parties, but your holiday plans should include ensuring you have a sober driver. Impaired driving is a major problem, as reflected in the number of crashes where impairment is a factor and the number of impaired driving arrests we continue to make. Our deputies will be working diligently this holiday season to keep our community and motoring public safe."

The Illinois *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* and *Click It or Ticket* campaigns are funded with federal highway safety dollars and administered by IDOT in partnership with the Lake County Office and law enforcement throughout Illinois and the nation.

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