

Zero fatalities. Zero excuses.

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Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Enforcement Period begins Friday

Williston, ND- Drivers on North Dakota roads are reminded to always drive sober, or to always find a sober driver. In an effort to reduce the number of impaired drivers on the road, law enforcement agencies across North Dakota will run extra patrols, as part of the *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* enforcement campaign from August 17 to September 3.

Preliminary data from 2017 reports in North Dakota 55 motor vehicle fatalities and 472 injuries due to an alcohol-related crash. This translates to one alcohol-related fatality every seven days in North Dakota. In fact, nearly 1 in 5 (19 percent) adult arrests in North Dakota are for Driving Under the Influence (DUI).

"Impaired driving has consequences that cannot be undone," said New Town Police Chief Tyler Rintamaki. "The *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* enforcement campaign is an important tool in communicating that fact to motorists. We need to continue to spread the message to always drive sober. It's a message everyone needs to follow."

This campaign is part of the Vision Zero strategy to eliminate motor vehicle crash fatalities and serious injuries on North Dakota roads.

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