



Avoid the 30 Riverside County PRESS RELEASE



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Avoid the 30 Riverside County Arrest 390 Impaired Drivers over Labor Day Crackdown

Police kept vow and arrested hundreds

Riverside, Ca. – DUI Arrests UP & DUI Fatalities Down

The Summer/Labor Day DUI crackdown on drinking drivers finished its third weekend and has resulted in record numbers of DUI arrests from Checkpoints, Special Saturation Patrols and routine patrols in the Riverside County “AVOID” DUI Campaign.

From 12:01 a.m., Friday, August 15, 2008, through midnight, Monday, September 1, 2008, officers representing 30 county law enforcement agencies have arrested **390** individuals for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs and 1 fatal traffic collision was reported in the City of Riverside. (**NOTE: These numbers are only provisional with many agencies yet to report**)

A total of 8 DUI Checkpoints and 25 coordinated DUI Saturation Patrols were held countywide for this Summer/Labor Day period.

The summer months are among the most dangerous days of the year to be injured or killed in an Alcohol Involved crash. Our message remains simple and unwavering: *Drunk Driving. Over the Limit. Under Arrest.*

MEDIA NOTE: Please visit the AVOID website at www.californiaavoid.org and the Riverside County AVOID website at www.avoidthe30.org for more information. Statistical data on the number of DUI arrests and DUI fatal crashes will be updated as received on the State website.

**Police, Sheriff and the CHP encourage all motorists to help make your community safer:
Report Drunk Drivers – Call 9-1-1.**

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