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30 Drunk Drivers Arrested During New Year's Eve OWI Enforcement

Milwaukee, WI – During this past holiday weekend, Milwaukee County Sheriff David A. Clarke Jr. ordered increased patrols beginning on Saturday, December 31, 2011 through Sunday, January 1, 2012. The initiative, which included more than 90 law enforcement officers, focused on keeping the public safe from those who engage in the dangerous behavior of impaired driving.

From Saturday, December 31, 2011 to Sunday, January 1, 2012, the Sheriff's Office enforcement initiative resulted in the following arrests, citations, and calls for service:

- 141 Traffic stops
 - 2 Seat belt citations
- 53 Excessive Speed citations
- 26 Unlicensed/Revoked/Suspended Drivers
- 21 Operating While Intoxicated arrests
 - 2 Crashes with property damage only
- NO Crashes with injuries
- NO Fatal crashes
- NO OWI-related crashes
- 9 Warrant arrests

In conjunction with the Sheriff's Office enforcement efforts, the Southeast Multi-Jurisdictional OWI Task Force conducted an enhanced enforcement deployment targeting drunk drivers. As a result of their combined enforcement effort, **30** drivers were arrested for *Operating While Intoxicated*.

Additional Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force Statistics:

- The first OWI arrest occurred at 8:56 p.m. Saturday
- The last OWI arrest took place at 7:49 a.m. Sunday
- The average prohibited alcohol level was .13
- The highest prohibited alcohol level was .24
- A total of 3 drunk drivers had prior convictions
 - 2 drunk drivers had 1 prior conviction
 - 1 drunk driver had 3 prior convictions

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The following agencies participated in the Multi-Jurisdictional OWI Task Force:

- Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office
- Bayside Police Department
- Cudahy Police Department
- Franklin Police Department
- Greendale Police Department
- South Milwaukee Police Department
- St. Francis Police Department
- Wauwatosa Police Department
- West Allis Police Department
- City of Brookfield Police Department
- City of Menomonee Police Department
- Elm Grove Police Department
- Town of Brookfield Police Department

Since the creation of the Southeast Multi-Jurisdictional OWI Task Force (April 2009), a total of 1,703 impaired drivers were removed from the Milwaukee County freeway system and adjacent roadways during the enforcement initiatives.

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