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Eleven OWI Arrests Overnight 'Operation Safe Drive' Squads Out in Force

Milwaukee, WI – Milwaukee County sheriff's deputies arrested eleven people for Operating While Intoxicated (OWI) on the third shift Friday night into Saturday morning. Three of the OWI arrests involved crashes. A typical weekend night results in about six OWI arrests.

Sheriff David A. Clarke announced increased OWI Task Force patrols for "Operation Safe Drive," which runs from the Thanksgiving holiday weekend through New Year's Day. Last night's total of eleven OWI arrests, nearly double the norm, shows the deputies efforts on the initiative are effective. Grant funding offsets the cost of the initiative.

Squads are also deployed for speed and seat belt enforcement.

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