



# Avoid the 30 Riverside County PRESS RELEASE



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## 'AVOID the 30' Holiday DUI Enforcement Nets 262 Arrests 2nd Weekend'

### Winter Holiday AVOID Campaign – Update 2

Riverside, California - The Winter Holiday DUI crackdown on drinking drivers over the first two weekends of the campaign has resulted in a large number of DUI arrests. The Riverside County "AVOID" DUI Campaign from 12:00 AM Friday December 18, 2009 through 12:00 midnight December 28, 2009 officers presenting 30 county law enforcement agencies are reporting provisional arrests of at least **262** individuals for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.  
(\*NOTE: These numbers are only provisional with many agencies yet to report\*\*)

Additionally, the Avoid Campaign netted 524 total DUI arrests and three people were killed in DUI collisions during last years campaign. Data collection will continue through January 3, 2009.

Local DUI Saturation Patrols will be continuing countywide with checkpoints being held in Hemet, Indian Wells, Menifee, Lake Elsinore, and La Quinta through the New Years weekend. All CHP Areas throughout the state will have increased staffing for the remainder of the holiday season.

"The Riverside Police Department wishes everyone a safe Holiday Season" said Supervisor Karen Haverkamp, the Riverside County AVOID the 30 coordinator. "We encourage people to celebrate responsibly, use designated drivers, and to buckle up and stay alive. "OVER THE LIMIT, UNDER ARREST" is all around the state, if you choose to Drink and Drive this Holiday Season, expect to spend the night behind bars".

This DUI Enforcement Campaign is funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. For more information visit [www.StopImpairedDriving.org](http://www.StopImpairedDriving.org) or [www.avoidthe30.org](http://www.avoidthe30.org)

Editor's note: To schedule an interview or request a ride-along regarding impaired driving efforts, please contact Karen Haverkamp via email at [khaver@riversideca.gov](mailto:khaver@riversideca.gov) .

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