

San Diego County SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

NEWS RELEASE INFORMATION SHEET

Subject: Impaired/Unlicensed Driver Checkpoint

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SYNOPSIS:

On the night of March 30, 2018, between the hours of 8:30 p.m. and 2:30 a.m., deputies from the San Diego County Sheriff's Department's Santee Traffic Division conducted a sobriety and driver's license checkpoint near the 9200 block of Carlton Hills Boulevard, in the City of Santee. The checkpoint was staffed by approximately ten DUI trained deputies. The purpose of the checkpoint and saturation was to remove impaired and/or unlicensed drivers from the roadway, public education, and deterrence, thereby increasing the safety of all drivers. Funding for this operation was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

A total of 861 drivers were contacted during the checkpoint. The operation resulted in four (4) DUI arrests. Forty-six (46) were directed into the secondary inspection area for further evaluation. Six (6) citations were issued for having a suspended/revoked or no driver's license, and eight (8) vehicles were impounded during the operation.

Any questions about the DUI Checkpoint can be directed to Sergeant Joe Passalacqua of the Sheriff's Santee Patrol Station, Traffic Division, at (619) 956-4033.

CHECKPOINT ACTIVITY

| VEHICLES CONTACTED: | 861 |
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| VEHICLES THROUGH WITHOUT CONTACT: | 30 |
| TOTAL VEHICLES THROUGH: | 891 |
| VEHICLES SENT INTO SECONDARY: | 46 |
| FIELD SOBRIETY TESTS GIVEN: | 12 |
| 23152 ARREST TOTAL (Alcohol): | 4 |
| 23152 ARREST TOTAL (Drugs): | 1 |
| OTHER ARREST TOTAL (Suspended License 14601.2A or 14601.1A): | 6 |
| VEHICLES STORED: | 8 |
| CITATIONS ISSUED: | 12 |
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