



# Colton Police Department

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## P R E S S R E L E A S E

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### **DUI Checkpoint Nets 8 Arrests**

Colton, CA – The Colton Police Department Traffic Unit conducted a DUI/Drivers License checkpoint on August 28<sup>th</sup> 2015, at the intersection of Mt. Vernon and Cooley Drive between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 3:00 a.m. Checkpoints are placed in locations that have the greatest opportunity for achieving drunk and drugged driving deterrence and provide the greatest safety for officers and the public.

DUI/Drivers License checkpoints have been shown to lower DUI deaths and injuries. A major component of these checkpoints are the deterrent effects it has on those who might drive drunk or drugged impaired, bringing about more awareness and encouraging everyone to use sober designated drivers.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), checkpoints have provided the most effective documented results of any of the DUI enforcement strategies, while also yielding considerable cost savings of \$6 for every \$1 spent. Ninety Percent of California drivers approve of checkpoints.

#### **Total Activity**

- 300- Vehicles Screened**
- 2 DUI-Alcohol suspects arrested**
- 13- Citations issued for no California drivers license**
- 6- Citations issued for driving on a suspended license**
- 1-Suspect arrested for obstructing an officer**
- 5- Arrested on outstanding warrants**
- 26- Total Citations issued**

Colton PD will be conducting DUI saturation patrols in the upcoming weeks in our ongoing commitment to lowering deaths and injuries upon our streets and highways.

The checkpoint was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Report Drunk Drivers – Call 9-1-1!