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City of San Fernando to Conduct DUI Sobriety and Driver's License Checkpoint on August 31, 2024

SAN FERNANDO, CA – The San Fernando Police Department will be conducting a DUI sobriety and driver's license checkpoint on Saturday, August 31, 2024. The checkpoint will take place at an undisclosed location within the city limits between the hours of 6:00 PM and 2:00 AM.

The purpose of the checkpoint is to deter and prevent drivers from operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol, cannabis, or other drugs, and to ensure all drivers are properly licensed. This initiative is part of the San Fernando Police Department's ongoing commitment to ensuring the safety of our community.

Message from Chief Valdez:

"Driving under the influence of alcohol or cannabis is extremely dangerous and puts everyone on the road at risk. We have seen firsthand the devastating impact that impaired driving can have on families and our community. We urge all drivers to make responsible choices—never drive under the influence. Designate a sober driver, use a rideshare service, or plan ahead to avoid putting lives in danger."

Sobriety checkpoints have proven to be an effective deterrent, helping reduce the number of impaired drivers on the road. During the checkpoint, officers will be looking for signs of alcohol and drug impairment as well as ensuring drivers are in possession of a valid driver's license. The City of San Fernando reminds residents that driving under the influence is not only illegal but can also be deadly.

The San Fernando Police Department urges everyone to celebrate responsibly and to never drive under the influence of alcohol, cannabis, or any impairing substances. Remember, "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over." Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Highway Patrol's Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program (CTFGP) and the San Fernando City Council. Drive Safely San Fernando.

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