News Release

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Subject: Joplin Police Department Post DWI checkpoint results

On Friday May 15th, 2015 the Joplin Police Department along with members of the Southwest Missouri DWI Taskforce and the support of MADD hosted a DWI checkpoint at 34th and Hearnes.

The goals of the checkpoint were to:
1. Detect and apprehend impaired drivers
2. Raise Awareness to the dangers of Driving while intoxicated or impaired.
3. Encourage people to plan events and alternate transportation accordingly.

The check point was in service from 9:30 pm to 00:30 am Saturday morning.
765 drivers were contacted
8 field sobriety test were conducted on subjects
2-DWI’s
3-total tickets
9-warnings
3-total arrests

This checkpoint was funded through a grant provided by the Missouri Department of Transportation Highway Safety Division.

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