News Release

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Subject: Joplin Police Department Post DWI checkpoint results

On Saturday March 19th, 2016 the Joplin Police Department along with members of the Southwest Missouri DWI Taskforce and the support of MADD hosted a DWI checkpoint at 7th and Illinois.

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 checkpoints were in service from 9:20 pm to 2:00 am Sunday morning.
1073 drivers were contacted
17 field sobriety test were conducted on subjects
5 -DWI’s
14 -total tickets
26 -warnings
1 –felony warrant
6 -total arrests

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