News Release

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Subject: Joplin Police Department Post DWI checkpoint results

On Saturday July 3rd, 2016 the Joplin Police Department along with members of the Southwest Missouri DWI Taskforce and the support of MADD hosted a DWI checkpoint at US 171 and N St Louis Ave.

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 Saturday night until 2:00 am Sunday morning.
1315 drivers were contacted
7 field sobriety test were conducted on subjects
4 DWI's
12 -total tickets
15 -warnings
1 –Misdemeanor Warrant
5 -total arrests

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