

JOPLIN



Press Release

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Subject: Joplin Police Department Post DWI checkpoint results

On Saturday July 27, 2013 the Joplin Police Department along with members of the Southwest Missouri DWI Taskforce and the support of MADD hosted a DWI checkpoint at the intersection of Schifferdecker and 32nd Street.

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 checkpoint hours of operations were from 2150-0200 hours Sunday morning.

As a result of those efforts:

981 cars were contacted
9 DWI's
1 Drug arrest
16 total arrests (including DWI's and drug)
13 people transported to jail
Conducted 20 SFST's
Issued 46 tickets
Gave 37 warnings

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

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