



News Release

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Subject: Joplin Police Department Post DWI checkpoint results

On Saturday March 15th, 2014 the Joplin Police Department along with members of the Southwest Missouri DWI Taskforce and the support of MADD hosted a DWI checkpoint on North Main near Ozark Christian College.

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 9:45 pm to 1:30 am. Sunday morning

706 drivers were contacted

16 field sobriety test were conducted on subjects

10 Total arrest were made including

6-DWIs

29-total tickets

40-warnings

1-marijuana

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

For further information contact Sgt. Rusty Rives or Officer Shelby Howard at 417-627-8880.