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### DUI Saturation Patrols Planned for Solano County Fair

The Solano County Fair began this week and ends August 2. For many people this means celebrating with alcohol. As you celebrate this year's Solano County Fair, keep in mind that one of the best choices you can make is to drive sober or designate a sober driver to get you home safely. The Solano County Avoid the 10 DUI Task Force is reminding all drivers that *Buzzed Driving is Drunk Driving* because every year there are still some people who think they can drive after drinking.

The DUI Task Force is deploying extra DUI officers this weekend to supplement routine patrol officers. Officers will be looking for the tale-tell signs of alcohol and or drug impairment during each enforcement contact this weekend. The Solano County Avoid the 10 DUI Task Force recommends these simple tips for a safe Solano County Fair this weekend:

- Before the weekend's festivities begin, plan a way to safely get home at the end of the night.
- Always designate a sober driver.
- If you are drunk, take a taxi, call a sober friend or family member, or use public transportation.
- Walking impaired can be just as dangerous as drunk driving. Designate a sober friend to walk you home.
- If you see a drunk driver on the road, contact local law enforcement.
- If you know someone who is about to drive or ride impaired, take their keys and help them make safe travel arrangements to where they are going.

Before you take your first sip of alcohol this weekend, figure out who your designated sober driver will be. If you wait until you're "buzzed" to make a decision, you may decide to drive. *Buzzed Driving is Drunk Driving*, which means that driving "buzzed" brings very serious consequences. In 2012 alone, there were 10,322 people killed in drunk driving crashes. Those were preventable deaths that happened when drunk drivers failed to plan ahead.

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