



PRESS RELEASE

UPDATE: September 2, 2014—DUII results from the Labor Day holiday weekend.

During the recent Labor Day holiday weekend, reducing the deadly dangers from impaired drivers was an enhanced priority and deputies were out in force to arrest those who put themselves and others at risk.

In the reporting period between 4:00 p.m. on August 29, 2014, through 2:00 a.m. on September 2, 2014, Washington County Sheriff's Office arrested 12 impaired drivers who were driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs or a combination of both. There were no traffic related fatalities reported in Washington County during the reporting period.

The Three Flags Seatbelt Blitz is continuing and the results will be available on September 8, 2014, after the enhanced patrol is completed.

Deputies Provide Enhanced DUII and Seatbelt Patrol

August 13, 2014--Washington County Sheriff's Deputies will provide extra patrols on Washington County roadways to enhance safety for the extended Labor Day holiday period.

The Washington County Sheriff's Office would like everyone to have a safe and enjoyable Labor Day holiday. The Labor Day holiday period is one of the most dangerous holidays for crashes due to heavily traveled roadways in combination with impaired and aggressive drivers.

In addition to extra patrols focused on impaired driving over the holiday period, deputies will also focus on aggressive drivers. Sheriff's Deputies will be looking for drivers that are speeding, following too closely, and distracted while using mobile communication devices.

Deputies will be providing extra DUII patrol from August 15, 2014 through September 2, 2014. There will also be a Three Flags Seatbelt Blitz beginning August 25, 2014 and continuing through September 7, 2014. The results will be provided at the conclusion of these traffic safety missions

Washington County Sheriff's Deputies regularly respond to traffic related incidents that could have been avoided if all drivers were safe and considerate. Deputies are reminding drivers to slow down, avoid distractions, allow adequate following distances, wear their seatbelt, and secure children in properly fitted child restraints. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) recommendation for child passenger's link is attached. <http://www.nhtsa.gov/Safety/CPS>