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Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over

During this Fourth of July Holiday, many law enforcement agencies nationwide will be out on the roads to prevent the tragedies previously seen around the July 4th holiday.

According to the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), 11,654 people were killed in motor vehicle crashes that involved an alcohol-impaired driver in 2020. That same year, 493 people died in motor vehicle traffic crashes over the July 4th holiday period (6 p.m. July 2 to 5:59 a.m. July 6). Forty-one percent (201) of those fatalities occurred in alcohol-impaired driving crashes.

The St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office will be partnering with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for the "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" campaign which will span from July 1st through July 5th, 2022.

On average, a DUI will cost you thousands of dollars and will follow you your whole life. It's already the law, so make it a personal rule: only drive 100% sober. That means no alcoholic beverages — not even one if you're driving.

Remember: It's never okay to drink and drive. If you plan on drinking, plan on not driving.

