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ANDERSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### Holiday Traffic Safety

To help save lives this holiday season, the Anderson County Sheriff's Department is launching a special "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" crackdown to stop impaired drivers and to save lives on our roadways. Sheriff's deputies will be aggressively looking for drunk and impaired drivers.



*"Lots of folks will be out during this busy holiday season, enjoying themselves and the holiday festivities, and we want everyone to be safe on our roadways." said Sheriff Paul White. "That's why we will be stepping up enforcement to catch and arrest impaired drivers. If you are caught drinking and driving impaired, you will be arrested. No warnings. No excuses."*

There are three simple steps people can take to stay safe and out of trouble:

1. Plan ahead. If you will be drinking, do not plan on driving. Designate a sober driver or find another safe way home. Even one too many drinks increases the risk of a crash while driving a motor vehicle.
2. If you are impaired, find another way home. Use a taxi, call a sober friend or family member, but please don't drive.
3. Be responsible. If someone you know is drinking, do not let them get behind the wheel. If you see an impaired driver on the road, contact law enforcement. Your actions may save someone's life.

*"We want everyone to enjoy their holidays, but we also want our roadways to be safe," said Sheriff White. "We will be out in force to help save lives, and we are not going to tolerate impaired driving. So remember, 'Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over.' We will be watching."*

For more information, visit [www.nhtsa.gov/drivesober](http://www.nhtsa.gov/drivesober).