

## **BURBANK POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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## OFFICIAL NEWS RELEASE

## **DUI CHECKPOINT RESULTS**

December operation yields several citations, no arrests for DUI

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Burbank, California - The Burbank Police Department Traffic Bureau conducted a DUI and driver license checkpoint on December 21, 2019. The checkpoint was held in the vicinity of Glenoaks Boulevard and Cedar Avenue, between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m.



DUI checkpoints are placed in locations based on collision statistics and frequency of DUI arrests, affording the greatest opportunity for achieving drunk and drugged driving deterrence.

According to Lieutenant John Pfrommer of the Burbank Police Traffic Bureau, 914 vehicles passed through the checkpoint, all of which were screened. The average travel time for vehicles passing through the checkpoint was about 20 seconds. Of the 914 vehicles screened, the following are results of the checkpoint:

- Four citations were issued for either driving without a valid license or driving with a suspended and/or revoked license.
- Three citations were issued for hazardous driving violations.
- Field sobriety tests were administered to seven drivers.

There were no arrests made for driving under the influence. This statistic suggests that drivers are making responsible choices by not consuming alcohol or using drugs that cause impairment before driving, or that they are making arrangements for transportation using designated drivers or ride-sharing services.

The goal of a DUI checkpoint is not to make arrests, but rather to deter impaired driving with high-visibility enforcement and well-publicized DUI operations. The Burbank Police Department will continue to deploy DUI saturation patrols and hold another checkpoint in the year 2020. Funding for these operations is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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