

Monroe Police Department News Release



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DUI & Traffic Safety Emphasis to occur Saturday, June 4th, 2022

MONROE – June 4th, 2022: The Snohomish County DUI and Target Zero Task Force will be conducting DUI Emphasis and Traffic Safety Patrols on Saturday, June 4th from 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. Representatives from the Monroe Police Department, Washington State Patrol, Lynnwood Police Department and the Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board will be doing high visibility patrols throughout the area. This emphasis coincides with the Driftcon Event, scheduled at the Evergreen Speedway the same night.

In Snohomish County, we have seen an increase in impaired drivers on our roadways. From 2019 to 2020 we saw an 8% increase in DUI fatalities and a 55% increase in DUI serious-injury crashes. We want everyone attending Driftcon to have a fun time while also ensuring their drive home is both safe and sober.

Patrols will be looking for drivers impaired by alcohol, legal cannabis, or other illegal drugs. Patrols will also focus on unsafe driving behavior observed on our public roadways. Patrol updates will be tweeted as available on the Snohomish County Target Zero Twitter account @SnoCoTargetZero. Target Zero is the Washington State Traffic Safety Commission's plan for zero traffic related deaths and serious injuries by 2030.

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