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## Always drive sober or find a sober ride

MINOT, N.D. – Law enforcement across the state will have extra patrols to remove impaired drivers from the road during *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* from Dec. 15 – Jan. 31, 2024.

Alcohol is a factor in 35-40 percent of fatal crashes annually in North Dakota, yet each fatality is 100% preventable by driving sober or finding a sober ride.

"Plan your safe ride before you start the party and choose a designated driver beforehand," said Renville County Sheriff Roger Hutchinson. "Taking personal responsibility as a driver is simple. If you are drinking, find a sober ride.

This campaign is part of the <u>Vision Zero</u> strategy to eliminate motor vehicle crash fatalities and serious injuries on North Dakota roads.

Visit the <u>North Dakota Crash Memorial Wall</u> to view memorials built on the hope of preventing another death on North Dakota roads.

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