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LPPD increases DWI enforcement over Spring Break



The La Porte Police Department continues their increased traffic enforcement efforts thanks to ongoing assistance from a Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Impaired Driving Mobilization (IDM) grant. The targeted enforcement dates for Spring Break is March 8th - March 24th, 2019. The La Porte Police Department has partnered with multiple agencies in South East Harris County to eliminate drunk driving in our community over the spring break holiday.

Under this grant, additional LPPD officers will be deployed during each of the above dates on an overtime basis, to watch for impaired drivers operating on local roadways. Anyone operating a vehicle and found to be intoxicated will be arrested. Suspected intoxicated drivers who refuse to provide a breath test will be the subject of a search warrant and will have their blood drawn for blood alcohol level testing.

Nearly 10,000 lives are lost every year in an alcohol related crash. Harris County unfortunately leads the nation in alcohol related fatality crashes. All of TXDOT's S.T.E.P. (Selective Traffic Enforcement Program) campaigns are designed to reduce both motor vehicle accidents and the residual effects incurred by motorists. The programs have consistently proven to reduce injuries, fatalities and property damage along major thoroughfares and high-collision/high-density intersections. Residents are reminded to drive safely while taking comfort in knowing additional traffic enforcement officers are monitoring local roadways to increase the level of safety. For more information on La Porte Police Department's involvement in the States various S.T.E.P. programs, please contact the agency at 281-842-3167.