



City of Monterey Park News Release



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Monterey Park Police Department Conducting DUI Patrols

Monterey Park, Calif. - Additional officers from the Monterey Park Police Department will be out on patrol **July 15, 2023** from 5 p.m. to 3 a.m. looking for drivers suspected of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

The Monterey Park Police Department remains committed to keeping the public safe when they are traveling.

"We want everyone to be as safe as possible, especially when they are on the road," Chief Scott Wiese said.

Monterey Park Police Department reminds the public that impaired driving is not just from alcohol. Some prescription medications or over-the-counter drugs may interfere with driving. Always follow directions for use and read warning labels about driving. While medicinal and recreational marijuana are legal, driving under the influence of marijuana is illegal.

If you plan on drinking or taking medications that may impact your ability to drive safely, plan on staying at home.

Drivers caught driving impaired and charged with a first-time DUI face an average of \$13,500 in fines and penalties, as well as a suspended license.

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