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## NEWS – Statewide Law Enforcement

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### **DUI patrols made over 1200 traffic stops in June**

*Statewide* – Increased patrols for impaired driving enforcement during the month of June resulted in 1,207 citizen contacts across North Dakota. Forty-one law enforcement agencies, including the North Dakota Highway Patrol, participated in the focused enforcement during the first 30 days of summer travel.

A total of 870 citations were attributed to the added patrols with 90 accounting for driving under the influence arrests and 44 drug-related violations. Sixteen citations were given for having an open container of an alcoholic beverage in the vehicle and 22 offenders were minors consuming alcohol.

Increased law enforcement for traffic safety is one element of a collaborative effort to eliminate roadway deaths in North Dakota. Alcohol-related crashes, which are considered preventable, caused nearly half of the traffic fatalities in North Dakota last year.

Funding for additional traffic safety enforcement is provided by federal grant money distributed through the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT).

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