

Calif. cops on the prowl for drunken drivers

As part of the national Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over enforcement campaign period, police, sheriff and the CHP will be deploying DUI checkpoints and DUI saturation patrols now through Jan. 3.

El Dorado County DUI Coalition reminds everyone to follow these tips:

- Plan a safe way to get home before you attend the party. Alcohol impairs judgment, as well as reaction time. If you're impaired you're more likely to choose to drive drunk.
- Designate a sober driver; take public transportation, a car service, or call a sober friend or family member to get home.
- Walking while impaired can be just as dangerous as drunken driving. Designate a sober friend to walk you home.
- Use your community's sober ride program.
- If you see someone you think is about to drive while impaired, take their keys and help them get home safely.