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San Carlos Sobriety and Driver's License Checkpoint Results

Summary:

San Carlos, California: The San Mateo County Sheriff's Office conducted a Sobriety and Driver's License Checkpoint on Friday, December 23, 2023, between the hours of 6:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. The checkpoint took place on the 700 block of El Camino Real in the City of San Carlos.

Overall, the checkpoint yielded the following:

- 1076 Vehicles screened
- 12 Field Sobriety Tests conducted
- 2 Drivers arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol
- 1 Driver arrested for possession of drugs for sales
- 36 Drivers cited for operating a vehicle while unlicensed
- 1 Drivers cited for not possessing their DMV issued California Driver's License
- 1 Driver cited for no seatbelt on a child
- 2 Drivers cited for driving on a suspended license
- 1 Vehicles towed

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.

Drivers are encouraged to arrange for a designated driver or utilize a car service. Whether you are the designated driver, or you choose to alternate the responsibility, having a plan before the drinking starts makes things easier. Alcohol affects mood, judgement, and reasoning, so it's best to make the decision before the party starts.

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