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## **Avoid the 38-Orange County Halloween DUI Crackdown**

### ***DUI Campaign expanding – Additional Officers Patrolling this weekend***

**Anaheim, California]** – This Friday, All Hallows Eve, the community’s youngsters will take to the streets dressed in cute, funny and often times scary costumes, racing from home to home screaming “trick or treat!” The participating agencies of the Avoid the 38-Orange County reminds everyone commuting home or heading out for the evening to stay alert and to reduce speeds in residential neighborhoods.

Motorists should watch for children darting out from between parked cars and walking on roadways. Also, when driving, be sure to enter and exit driveways carefully. Parents, make sure your child can be seen, especially when it gets dark. Remind the kids to look both ways before crossing the street and to use the crosswalks at intersections.

Halloween falls on a Friday night this year and every community will see adults dressed in costume headed out to mark the occasion with friends and family. However, the most terrifying events this weekend come at the end of the night once the parties end. That’s when drunk or buzzed drivers take to the streets. Avoid the 38 – Orange County reminds everyone partying this Halloween to use a Designated Driver!

There is no treat once an officer knocks on your car door. When arrested, violators will face jail time, the loss of their driver’s license, higher insurance rates, attorney fees, time away from work, and dozens of other expenses.

Worse yet, there will be many families receiving the horrific news that a loved one has been badly hurt or killed at the hands of a drunk driver this Halloween weekend.

The Avoid the 38- Orange County – DUI Campaign will be deploying additional officers onto the streets Friday and Saturday night to reduce the death and destruction caused by drinking drivers. Drunk driving is the top priority for the police, CHP, and Sheriff deputies in Orange County, we're asking the public to report drunk drivers by calling 911. Then, provide the location, direction of travel and a complete description of the vehicle. This will help to hunt them down and get them off the road.

With millions of cell phones on California roadways your chances of getting busted have risen. Avoid the 38 will be out in force conducting DUI operations in most of the Orange County communities. Every officer working Friday night will pay special attention towards drunk driving.

Don't take the chance. Remember, if you are caught over the limit, you will be under arrest.



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