



Franklin Park Police Department

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“Saint Patrick’s Day Traffic Safety Enforcement” results are in:

Franklin Park, Illinois – Results are in from the *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Saint Patrick’s Day Traffic Safety Enforcement Campaign*.

During the Saint Patrick’s Day Traffic Safety Campaign, reducing the deadly dangers from drunk drivers and occupant protection was a top priority as the Franklin Park Police Department conducted saturation patrols, to arrest those who put themselves and others on the road at risk.

On March 12, 2020 through March 18, 2020, Franklin Park Police conducted roving saturation patrols between the hours of 10 pm and 6 am, looking for drunk drivers and those drivers and passengers not wearing seat belts. Officers came in contact with 65 vehicles and issued a total of 46 citations. Out of the 46 citations issued, 16 were for seat belt violations, 1 was for speeding and 2 were for distracted driving. 2 arrests were made for driving while under the influence and 5 arrests were made for suspended driver’s license. 20 other traffic violations were observed and citations issued.

The recent law enforcement crackdown was funded by federal traffic safety funds through the Illinois Department of Transportation and is part of the *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over and Click It or Ticket* campaigns.