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Santa Cruz Police Shoulder Tap Decoy Operation

- First Statewide Shoulder Tap Decoy Operation in California History -

On Friday, March 16, 2012 the Santa Cruz Police Department participated in a first statewide coordinated shoulder tap decoy operation in California history. The operation involved over 90 California law enforcement agencies throughout the state working with state Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) to reduce youth access to alcohol. The timing of the operation was before the St. Patrick's Day; a time that ABC has noted alcohol-related incidents increase.

During the operation, decoys attempted to have adults purchase alcohol outside of 4 outlets. In all, 50 adults were contacted and 2 purchased alcohol. Two citations were given for 25658(a) B&P, furnishing alcoholic beverages to minors. The effort was made possible by a grant provided by ABC.

The Santa Cruz Police Department will continue to conduct these operations in the coming months.

Statewide Involved Agencies, Cities & Counties including statistics:

The statewide task force operation resulted in 356 arrests. 291 individuals were cited for furnishing alcoholic beverages to minors, 58 were arrested for other crimes such as public drunkenness, drugs, DUI, parole violations and outstanding warrants.

Modesto Police Department, Sacramento Police Department, Sacramento County Sheriff's Department, West Sacramento Police Department, Folsom Police Department, Rocklin Police Department, Placer County Sheriff's Department, Marysville Police Department, Chico Police Department, Willows Police Department, Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department, Oakdale Police Department, Turlock Police Department, Newman Police Department, Ceres Police Department, Stockton Police Department, Tracy Police Department, Calaveras County Sheriff's Department, Ripon Police Department, Fairfield Police Department, Berkeley Police Department, UC Berkeley Police Department, Novato Police Department, Martinez Police Department, Richmond Police Department, Oakland Police Department, Alameda County Sheriff's Department, Alameda Police Department, Pacifica Police Department, Brisbane Police Department, Broadmoor Police Department, Colma Police Department, Daly City Police Department, South San Francisco Police Department, San Bruno Police Department, Millbrae Police Department, Burlingame Police Department, Half Moon Bay Police Department, Pinole Police Department, San Francisco Police Department, Mountain View Police Department, Santa Cruz Police Department, Watsonville Police Department, Sonoma Police Department, Weed Police Department, Arcata Police Department, Eureka Police Department, Morro Bay Police Department, San Luis Obispo Police Department, Santa Barbara Police Department, Ventura County Sheriff's Department, Ventura Police Department, Madera Police Department, Fresno Police Department, Sanger Police Department, Lemoore Police Department, Ontario Police Department, Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Riverside Police Department, San Diego Police Department, San Diego County Sheriff's Department, Escondido Police Department, Chula Vista Police Department, Oceanside Police Department, La Mesa Police Department, Carlsbad Police Department, Dana Point Police (Orange County Sheriff's Department), San Clemente Police Services, Long Beach Police Department, Seal Beach Police Department, Gardena Police Department, Placentia Police Department, Manhattan Beach Police Department, Buena Park Police Department, Hermosa Beach Police Department, Huntington Beach Police Department, La Habra Police Department, El Segundo Police Department, Alhambra Police Department, Monrovia Police Department, Hawthorne Police Department, Fontana Police Department, Montclair Police Department, Upland Police Department, Pomona Police Department, Redlands Police Department, Rancho Cucamonga Police Department (SBSO), Chino Hills Police Department, Yucca Valley Police, Department, Chino Police Department, Palm Springs Police Department, San Bernardino County Probation Department, San Bernardino Police Department, Twenty Nine Palms Police Department