



Santa Rosa Police Department

Monday December 15th, 2014 :: 02:04 p.m. PST

Community DUI/Suspended Driver's License Court Sting

December 15, 2014 mnumainville@srcity.org

DUI/Suspended Driver's License Court Sting

Santa Rosa, CA On Monday, December 15, 2014, between the hours of 8:00a.m. and 1:00p.m., officers from the Petaluma Police Department, Sebastopol Police Department, Sonoma County Sheriff's Office, the California Highway Patrol and the Santa Rosa Department conducted an undercover 'Court Sting' operation at the Sonoma County Courthouse targeting drivers whose licenses where suspended/revoked or who were unlicensed drivers.

Police officers staked out offenders who had been told by a judge not to drive and/or who had been told of their license suspension. 14 offenders were followed by officers from courtrooms to their vehicles to ensure that they were not driving. While some offenders complied with the law and had alternate means of transportation, 6 individuals in court for DUI or other prior violations proceeded to get behind the wheel and drove away from the court house.

Those who chose to drive were stopped by waiting officers. Those stopped for driving while suspended or unlicensed were then cited back into court. Those individuals were identified as:

- Timothy , 26 year old Rohnert Park resident.
- Daniel , 22 year old Santa Rosa resident.
- Juan , 31 year old Calistoga resident.
- Elizabeth , 19 year old Santa Rosa resident.
- Christopher , 44 year old Guerneville resident.
- Jose , 32 year old Santa Rosa resident.



Petaluma Police Department

Wednesday August 27th, 2014 :: 04:01 p.m. PDT

Advisory Sonoma County AVOID the 13 DUI/DL Court Sting

NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Wednesday, August 27, 2014

UNDERCOVER COURT STING RESULTS

1 Driver Arrested After Driving Away

Santa Rosa, California – The AVOID the 13 Sonoma County DUI Task Force conducted an undercover court sting at the Sonoma County Hall of Justice today between the hours of 8:30am and 12:00pm. Officers from Petaluma Police Department, Santa Rosa Police Department, Sonoma County Sheriff's Office, Cotati Police Department and the Rohnert Park Department of Public Safety participated in the operation. Officers in plain clothes monitored defendants appearing in court for DUI offenses as well as suspended and unlicensed violations. When defendants left the court, the undercover officers maintained surveillance of them as they walked outside to their vehicle. If the suspended or unlicensed driver got behind the wheel of a vehicle and drove away they were apprehended by motor officers waiting nearby.

It was later learned Defense Attorneys were advising their clients of the undercover officers in the courtroom and to not drive away from the courthouse.

The operation resulted in 1 driver being arrested and cited. The following driver was stopped during the operation.

Michael _____, age 56, from Santa Rosa, driving on a suspended license.

_____ 's vehicle was stopped and impounded for 30 days. This operation was conducted as part of 2014 Summer Mobilization Period that began Friday August 15, 2014 and continues through Monday, September 1, 2014. The purpose of the operation is to apprehend dangerous drivers and reduce alcohol related fatal and injury collisions through increased enforcement and public awareness. Funding for the Avoid Campaign is made possible through a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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Santa Rosa Police Department

Wednesday July 2nd, 2014 :: 03:19 p.m. PDT

Community DUI/Drivers License Court Sting

SANTA ROSA POLICE DEPARTMENT
965 Sonoma Avenue, Santa Rosa, California 95404
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Media Release
Chief Hank Schreeder

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Santa Rosa Police Department Announce Results of
DUI Court Sting Operation

On Wednesday, July 2, 2014, between the hours of 8:00a.m. and 1:00p.m., officers from the Santa Rosa Department conducted an undercover 'Court Sting' operation at the Sonoma County Courthouse targeting drivers whose licenses were suspended/revoked or who were unlicensed drivers.

Police officers staked out offenders who had been told by a judge not to drive and/or who had been told of their license suspension. 8 offenders were followed by officers from courtrooms to their vehicles to ensure that they were not driving. While some offenders complied with the law and had alternate means of transportation, 2 individuals in court for DUI or other prior violations proceeded to get behind the wheel and drove away from the court house.

Those who chose to drive were stopped by waiting officers. Those stopped for driving while suspended or unlicensed then were cited back into court, and their vehicles were impounded for 30 days. Those individuals were identified as:

- Eduard (39 years old) of Santa Rosa for driving without a license.
- Alvaro (27 years old) of Sonoma for driving without a license.

Of the two vehicles stopped, one was impounded for 30 days as a result of the offender's choice to drive while suspended/unlicensed.



Santa Rosa Police Department

Tuesday April 22nd, 2014 :: 01:25 p.m. PDT

Community **Court Sting for Suspended License.**

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Santa Rosa Police Department Announce Results of
DUI Court Sting Operation

On Tuesday, April 22, 2014, between the hours of 8:00a.m. and 1:00p.m., officers from the Santa Rosa Department conducted an undercover 'Court Sting' operation at the Sonoma County Courthouse targeting drivers whose licenses where suspended/revoked or who were unlicensed drivers.

Police officers staked out offenders who had been told by a judge not to drive and/or who had been told of their license suspension. 19 offenders were followed by officers from courtrooms to their vehicles to ensure that they were not driving. While some offenders complied with the law and had alternate means of transportation, 6 individuals in court for DUI or other prior violations proceeded to get behind the wheel and drove away from the court house.

Those who chose to drive were stopped by waiting officers. Those stopped for driving while suspended or unlicensed then were cited back into court, and their vehicles were impounded for 30 days. Those individuals were identified as:

- Daniel (33 years old) of Forestville for driving on a suspended license.
- Victor (19 years old) of Cloverdale for driving on a suspended license.
- Robert (44 years old) of Petaluma for driving on a suspended license.
- Dennis (40 years old) of Guerneville for driving on a suspended license.
- Christian - (23 years old) of Santa Rosa for driving on a suspended license.
- George (40 years old) of Santa Rosa for driving a on suspended license.
(Vehicle was not impounded for 30 days)

Of the 6 vehicles stopped, 5 were impounded for 30 days as a result of the offender's choice to drive while suspended/unlicensed.

The Press Democrat

One arrested in courthouse sting

By ELIZABETH M. COSIN THE PRESS DEMOCRAT on March 12, 2014, 7:48 PM

An undercover sting by the Petaluma and Santa Rosa police departments Wednesday netted a Santa Rosa resident who was allegedly driving on a suspended license, according to a joint statement released by the departments.

The operation took place at the Sonoma County Courthouse, where officers from both departments targeted suspected DUI drivers whose licenses were suspended and/or revoked or who were driving without a license.

Police said they identified about 15 suspects who were told by the courts they weren't permitted to drive. Each suspect was followed out to their cars to ensure they were complying with the law.

Steven [redacted], 53, of Santa Rosa, was the only suspect who got behind the wheel and drove himself away from the courthouse, police said. [redacted], who was driving on a suspended license, was cited and his vehicle impounded, according to police.

The operation was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.



Petaluma Police Department

Thursday February 13th, 2014 :: 04:24 p.m. PST

Advisory **Petaluma Police undercover court sting nets 6 arrests
for driving on a suspended driver's license**

PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: February 13, 2014

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The Petaluma Police Department Announce Results of
DUI/Suspended License Court Sting Operation

On February 13, 2014 between the hours of 8:30am and 12:00pm officers from Petaluma Police Department and the Santa Rosa Police Department conducted an undercover 'Court Sting' operation at the Sonoma County Courts targeting suspected DUI drivers whose licenses where suspended/revoked or who were unlicensed drivers.

Police officers staked out offenders who had been told by a judge not to drive and/or who had been told of their license suspension. 15 offenders were followed by officers from courtrooms to their vehicles to ensure that they were not driving. While some offenders complied with the law and had alternate means of transportation, 6 individuals in court for DUI or driving on a suspended license proceeded to get behind the wheel and drove away from the court house.

Those who chose to drive were stopped by waiting officers. Among those stopped for driving while suspended or unlicensed then were cited back into court:

Nicholas	29, Santa Rosa resident, Driving on a suspended license
Jeffrey	39, Santa Rosa resident, Driving on a suspended license, vehicle impounded
Nicole	22, Santa Rosa resident, Driving on a suspended license, vehicle impounded
Jamie	34, Vallejo resident, Driving on a suspended license, vehicle impounded
Timothy	27, Petaluma resident, Driving on a suspended license, vehicle impounded
Javier	23, Santa Rosa resident, Driving on a suspended license, vehicle impounded



Santa Rosa Police Department

Tuesday January 14th, 2014 :: 03:56 p.m. PST

Community Court Sting Press Release

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Media Release
Acting Chief Hank Schreeder

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Santa Rosa Police Department Announce Results of
DUI Court Sting Operation

On Tuesday, January 14, 2014, between the hours of 8:00a.m. and 1:00p.m., officers from the Santa Rosa Department conducted an undercover 'Court Sting' operation at the Sonoma County Courthouse targeting drivers whose licenses were suspended/revoked or who were unlicensed drivers.

Police officers staked out offenders who had been told by a judge not to drive and/or who had been told of their license suspension. 22 offenders were followed by officers from courtrooms to their vehicles to ensure that they were not driving. While some offenders complied with the law and had alternate means of transportation, 8 individuals in court for DUI or other prior violations proceeded to get behind the wheel and drove away from the court house.

Those who chose to drive were stopped by waiting officers. Those stopped for driving while suspended or unlicensed then were cited back into court, and their vehicles were impounded for 30 days. Those individuals were identified as:

- Julio (23 years old) of Dixon for driving on a suspended license.
- Christopher (44 years old) of Forestville for driving on a suspended license.
- James (48 years old) of Rohnert Park for driving on a suspended license.
- Melissa (34 years old) of Cotati for driving on a suspended license.
- Allan (21 years old) of Santa Rosa for driving on a suspended license.
- Jorge (34 years old) of San Rafael for driving without a license.
- Briana (19 years old) of Oakland for driving without a license. Mitchell was also arrested and booked into county jail for an outstanding Felony Warrant she had.
- Arturo (47years old) of Santa Rosa for driving on a suspended license.

Of the eight vehicles stopped, seven were impounded for 30 days as a result of the offenders choice to drive while suspended/unlicensed.



Petaluma Police Department

Wednesday December 18th, 2013 :: 03:07 p.m. PST

Advisory

AVOID the 13 UNDERCOVER COURT STING RESULTS 8 Drivers Arrested After Driving Away

NEWS RELEASE
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Wednesday, December 18, 2013

UNDERCOVER COURT STING RESULTS 8 Drivers Arrested After Driving Away

Santa Rosa, California – The AVOID the 13 Sonoma County DUI Task Force conducted an undercover court sting at the Sonoma County Hall of Justice today between the hours of 8:30am and 12:00pm. Officers from Petaluma Police Department, Santa Rosa Police Department, Sonoma County Sheriff's Office, Cotati Police Department, Sebastopol Police Department, and California State Parks participated in the operation. Officers in plain clothes monitored defendants appearing in court for DUI offenses as well as suspended and unlicensed violations. When defendants left the court, the undercover officers maintained surveillance of them as they walked outside to their vehicle. If the suspended or unlicensed driver got behind the wheel of a vehicle and drove away they were apprehended by motor officers waiting nearby.

The operation resulted in 8 drivers being arrested and cited. The following drivers were stopped during the operation.

Marcell	age 42, from Vallejo - driving on a suspended license.
Danielle	age 31, from Penngrove - driving on a suspended license for DUI.
Edward	age 53, from Sebastopol - driving on a suspended license.
Jorge	age 44, from Santa Rosa - driving on a suspended license for DUI.
Burton	age 48, from Ukiah – driving on a suspended license.
Lillie	age 32, from Oakland – driving on a suspended license for DUI.
Samu	age 34, from Santa Rosa – driving on a suspended license for DUI.
Trevor	age 26, from Healdsburg – driving on a suspended license.

All eight of the vehicles stopped were impounded for 30 days.

This operation was conducted as part of 2013 Winter Mobilization Period that began Friday December 13, 2013 and continues through Wednesday, January 1, 2014. The purpose of the operation is to apprehend dangerous drivers and reduce alcohol related fatal and injury collisions through increased enforcement and public awareness. Funding for the Avoid Campaign is made possible through a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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Petaluma Police Department

Wednesday August 28th, 2013 :: 01:17 p.m. PDT

Community 7 DRIVERS APPREHENDED DURING UNDERCOVER COURT STING

NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Wednesday, August 28 2013

7 DRIVERS APPREHENDED DURING UNDERCOVER COURT STING

Santa Rosa, California – The AVOID the 13 Sonoma County DUI Task Force conducted an undercover court sting at the Sonoma County Hall of Justice today between the hours of 8:30am and 1:00pm. Officers in plain clothes monitored defendants appearing in court for DUI offenses as well as suspended and unlicensed violations. When defendants left the court, the undercover officers maintained surveillance of them as they walked outside to their vehicle. If the suspended or unlicensed driver got behind the wheel of a vehicle and drove they were apprehended by motor officers waiting nearby. This morning's operation resulted in 7 drivers being apprehended.

The following drivers were stopped and cited during the operation:

At 0850, Clint _____, age 36, from Bodega Bay was stopped driving away from the courthouse after appearing on a violation of probation case from a DUI. He has two prior arrests for DUI (2008, 2010) and is currently on DUI probation with terms to drive only if licensed and insured. He did not have a valid license and cited and his vehicle towed.

At 0905 hours, Leif _____, age 23, from Santa Rosa, was stopped driving away from the courthouse with a suspended license for failing to appear in court on seven (7) traffic citations. He was cited and his vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

At 1000 hours, Patrick _____ age 57, from Sebastopol, was stopped driving away from the courthouse with a suspended license from a DUI after not being in compliance with a court order to have an ignition interlock device installed in his vehicle. He has two prior DUI arrests (2004, 2011). He was cited and his vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

At 1125 hours, Agustin _____, age 29, from Windsor, was stopped driving away from the court house with a suspended license for failing to appear on three (3) prior traffic citations. He was cited and his vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

At 1145 hours, Shelise _____, age 29, from Guerneville, was stopped driving away from the courthouse on a suspended license from a DUI in May 2013. She also has a prior DUI in 2008. She was cited and her vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

At 1215 hours, Clyde _____, age 58, from Windsor, was stopped driving away from the courthouse on a suspended license from a DUI in April of 2013. He was cited and his vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

At 1220 hours, Pedro _____, age 48, from Petaluma, was stopped driving away from the courthouse on a suspended license for DUI from 2012. He was also on active DUI probation with terms not to drive unless licensed and insured. He was cited and his vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

This operation is being conducted as part of the 2013 National Summer Mobilization period that began on Friday, August 16th and ends September 2, 2013. The intended purpose is to apprehend dangerous drivers and reduce alcohol related fatal and injury collisions through increased enforcement and public awareness. There will be additional court stings throughout the remainder of the year. Funding for the Avoid Campaign is made possible through a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The Petaluma Police Department serves as the lead agency for the regional DUI enforcement efforts in Sonoma County to reduce alcohol-involved fatalities and injuries and raise general public awareness regarding the problems associated with drinking and driving. Participating agencies include Police Departments from the cities of Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Petaluma, Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, Sonoma, Windsor, the Sonoma County Sheriff's Department, Sonoma County Probation Department, Sonoma State University Police Department, Santa Rosa Junior College Police Department, ABC, MADD, and the California Highway Patrol. Grant funded activities include DUI checkpoints, DUI saturation patrols, DUI Task Force Operations and Warrant/Court Sting operations for repeat DUI offenders during the Memorial Day, Fourth of July, August-Labor Day Mobilization, Winter Holiday Mobilization, and other designated Special Events and holidays with identified DUI problems. AVOID the 13 is a collaborative enforcement and education effort between the 13 law enforcement agencies in Sonoma County. For further information go to www.californiaavoid.org.

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Santa Rosa Police Department

Tuesday August 20th, 2013 :: 02:00 p.m. PDT

Community **Santa Rosa Police Department Announce Results of
DUI Court Sting Operation**

****FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****

AUGUST 20, 2013

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On Tuesday, August 20, 2013, between the hours of 8:00A.M. and 1:00P.M., officers from the Santa Rosa and Petaluma Police Departments conducted an undercover 'Court Sting' operation at the Sonoma County Courthouse targeting suspected DUI drivers whose licenses were suspended/revoked or who were unlicensed drivers.

Police officers staked out offenders who had been told by a judge not to drive and/or who had been told of their license suspension. 11 offenders were followed by officers from courtrooms to their vehicles to ensure that they were not driving. While some offenders complied with the law and had alternate means of transportation, 5 individuals in court for DUI or other prior violations proceeded to get behind the wheel and drove away from the court house.

Those who chose to drive were stopped by waiting officers. Those stopped for driving while suspended or unlicensed then were cited back into court, and their vehicles were impounded for 30 days. Those individuals were identified as:

- Maya (23 years old) of Sonoma for driving on a suspended license. has 1 prior conviction for driving on a suspended license.
- Manuel (34 years old) of Forestville for driving on a suspended license.
- Fernando (41 years old) of Santa Rosa for driving on a suspended license.
- Daniel (25 years old) of Petaluma for driving on a suspended license.
- Jose (32 years old) of Santa Rosa for driving on a suspended license. has 2 prior convictions for DUI and 2 prior convictions for driving on a suspended license.



4/16/2013

On Tuesday, April 16, 2013, between the hours of 8:00 a.m., and 1:00 p.m., officers from the Santa Rosa and Petaluma Police Departments conducted an undercover "Court Sting" operation at the Sonoma County Courthouse targeting suspected DUI drivers whose licenses were suspended/revoked or who were unlicensed drivers.

Police officers staked out offenders who had been told by a judge not to drive and/or who had been told of their license suspension. 16 offenders were followed by officers from courtrooms to their vehicles to ensure they were not driving. While some offenders complied with the law and had alternate means of transportation, 10 individuals in court for DUI or other prior violations proceeded to get behind the wheel and drove away from the

courthouse.

Those who chose to drive were stopped by waiting officers. Among those stopped for driving while suspended or unlicensed then were cited back into court. Nine vehicles were impounded for 30 days.

- Victor license. 32 year old Santa Rosa resident, cited for driving on a suspended license. has 5 prior convictions in Sonoma County for driving on a suspended license.
- Frederick 22 year old Santa Rosa resident, cited for driving on a suspended license. has 1 prior suspended license conviction in Sonoma County.
- Moises 55 year old Santa Rosa resident, cited for driving on a suspended license
- Ken ., 61 year old Santa Rosa resident, cited for driving on a suspended license for a DUI related violation. has 2 prior DUI suspensions in Sonoma County.
- Eric 27 year old Meadow Vista resident, cited for driving while unlicensed. was notified that his driver's license is suspended.
- , 42 year old Santa Rosa resident, cited for driving on a suspended license. has 1 prior conviction in Sonoma County for driving on a suspended license.
- Antonio 28 year old Santa Rosa resident, cited for driving without a valid license. was in court for the same violation.
- Richard 47 year old Santa Rosa resident, cited for driving on a suspended license.
- Jose 34 year old Healdsburg resident, cited for driving without a valid license. was in court for the same offense.
- Jose 34 year old Santa Rosa resident, cited for driving without a valid license. was in court for the same offense.

Those arrested could face additional jail time, long driver's license suspensions, along with other financial hits including attorney fees, court costs, lost time at work, and the potential loss of job or job prospects.

This special DUI operation was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

POLICE PRESS RELEASES

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1/22/2013

On Tuesday, January 22, 2013, between the hours of 8:00 a.m., and 12:00 p.m., officers from the Santa Rosa and Petaluma Police Departments conducted an undercover "Court Sting" operation at the Sonoma County Courthouse targeting suspected DUI drivers whose licenses were suspended/revoked or who were unlicensed drivers.

Police officers staked out offenders who had been told by a judge not to drive and/or who had been told of their license suspension. Eighteen offenders were followed by officers from courtrooms to their vehicles to ensure they were not driving. While some offenders complied with the law and had alternate means of transportation, four individuals in court for DUI proceeded to get behind the wheel and drove away from the courthouse.

Those who chose to drive were stopped by waiting officers. Among those stopped for driving while suspended or unlicensed were cited back into court and their vehicles were impounded for 30 days.

- Kristen 26 year old Santa Rosa resident: driving on a suspended license for a DUI related violation and violation of probation. has 1 prior DUI conviction in Sonoma County.
- Mercedes 40 year old Sebastopol resident: driving on a suspended license for a DUI related violation. has 3 prior DUI convictions in Sonoma County.
- Teresa 32 year old Santa Rosa resident: driving on a suspended license and for a DUI related violation. has 2 prior DUI convictions in Sonoma County and a recent DUI related arrest from November of 2012.
- Marco , 27 year old Santa Rosa resident: driving on a suspended license for a DUI related violation. has 2 prior DUI convictions in Sonoma County.

This special DUI operation was funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.



Petaluma Police Department

Wednesday August 22nd, 2012 :: 03:27 p.m. PDT

**Advisory 5 DRIVERS APPREHENDED DURING AVOID
UNDERCOVER COURT STING**

NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Wednesday, August 22 2012

**5 DRIVERS APPREHENDED
DURING UNDERCOVER COURT STING**

Santa Rosa, California – Officers from Petaluma Police Department, Santa Rosa Police Department, Cotati Police Department, Rohnert Park Police Department, Sebastopol Police Department, and the SRJC District Police Department conducted an undercover court sting at the Sonoma County Hall of Justice today between the hours of 8:30am and 12:00pm. Officers in plain clothes monitored defendants appearing in court for DUI offenses as well as suspended and unlicensed violations. When defendants left the court, the undercover officers maintained surveillance of them as they walked outside to their vehicle. If the suspended or unlicensed driver got behind the wheel of a vehicle and drove they were apprehended by motor officers waiting nearby. This morning's operation resulted in 5 drivers being apprehended.

The following drivers were stopped and cited during the operation:

, age 58, from Sebastopol was cited for driving on a suspended license from a DUI. His vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

age 48, from Petaluma was cited for driving on a suspended license. His vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

, age 20, from Sonoma was cited for driving without a license. His vehicle was towed, but not impounded.

, age 28, from Boyes Hot Springs was cited for driving on a suspended license. His vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

, age 33, from Rohnert Park was cited for driving on a suspended

license. His vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

This operation is being conducted as part of the 2012 Summer Mobilization period that began on Friday, August 17th and ends September 3, 2012. The intended purpose is to apprehend dangerous drivers and reduce alcohol related fatal and injury collisions through increased enforcement and public awareness. There will be additional court stings throughout the remainder of the year. Funding for the Avoid Campaign is made possible through a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The Petaluma Police Department serves as the lead agency for the regional DUI enforcement efforts in Sonoma County to reduce alcohol-involved fatalities and injuries and raise general public awareness regarding the problems associated with drinking and driving. Participating agencies include Police Departments from the cities of Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Petaluma, Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, Sonoma, Windsor, the Sonoma County Sheriff's Department, Sonoma County Probation Department, Sonoma State University Police Department, Santa Rosa Junior College Police Department, ABC, MADD, and the California Highway Patrol. Grant funded activities include DUI checkpoints, DUI saturation patrols, DUI Task Force Operations and Warrant/Court Sting operations for repeat DUI offenders during the Memorial Day, Fourth of July, August-Labor Day Mobilization, Winter Holiday Mobilization, and other designated Special Events and holidays with identified DUI problems. AVOID the 13 is a collaborative enforcement and education effort between the 13 law enforcement agencies in Sonoma County. For further information go to www.californiaavoid.org.

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Santa Rosa Police Department

Community Santa Rosa Police Announce Results of DUI Court Sting Operation

On July 31, 2012 between the hours of 7:30 am to 12:30 pm officers from the Santa Rosa and Petaluma Police Department's conducted an undercover court sting operation at the Sonoma County Court House targeting DUI, suspended, and unlicensed drivers. Police officers staked out offenders who had been told by a judge not to drive and followed them from courtrooms to the parking area to be sure they were not driving due to a suspended or revoked license. Six offenders were followed outside by officers. While some offenders had alternate means of transportation, one driver got behind the wheel and drove away from the court house. The driver was stopped by waiting officers.

The subject that was arrested for driving on a suspended license after leaving the courthouse was identified as:

- J s, 33 years of Yountville has two current suspensions against his driver's license for driving while intoxicated.

s' vehicle was towed and impounded for 30 days as a result of the operation.

Funding for this operation was provided by the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.



Entered By: Santa Rosa Police Department

Entered On: Tuesday May 29th, 2012 :: 06:37 p.m. PDT

Community

Driver's license court sting nets 8.

Santa Rosa Police Announce Results of
DUI Court Sting Operation

On May 29, 2012 between the hours of 7:30 am to 12:30 pm officers from the Santa Rosa and Petaluma Police Department's conducted an undercover court sting operation at the Sonoma County Court House targeting DUI, suspended, and unlicensed drivers. Police officers staked out offenders who had been told by a judge not to drive and followed them from courtrooms to the parking area to be sure they were not driving due to a suspended or revoked license. Fourteen offenders were followed outside by officers. While some offenders had alternate means of transportation, 8 got behind the wheel and drove away from the court house. Those who chose to drive were stopped by waiting officers.

8 subjects were arrested for driving on a suspended license after leaving the courthouse:

- (63 year old Windsor resident). has two current suspensions against her driver's license.
- (35 year old Vallejo resident). has two current suspensions against his driver's license.
- (46 year old Petaluma resident). has two current suspensions against his driver's license.
- (19 year old Santa Rosa resident). has one current suspension against his driver's license.
- (25 year old San Leandro resident). has one current suspension against his driver's license.
- (32 year old Novato resident). has four current suspensions against his driver's license.
- (41 year old Santa Rosa resident). has two current suspensions against his driver's license.
- (29 year old Rohnert Park resident). has one

POLICE PRESS RELEASES



3/28/2012

On March 27, 2012, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., officers from the Santa Rosa and Petaluma Police Departments conducted an undercover court sting operation at the Sonoma County Courthouse targeting DUI, suspended, and unlicensed drivers. Police officers staked out offenders who had been told by a judge not to drive and followed them from courtrooms to the parking area to be sure they were not driving due to a suspended or revoked license. Twelve offenders were followed outside by officers. While some offenders had alternate means of transportation, 5 got behind the wheel and drove away from the courthouse. Those who chose to drive were stopped by waiting officers.

4 subjects were arrested for driving on a suspended license after leaving the courthouse:

- K d (48 years old). has one current suspension against her driver's license.
- A is (35 years old). has one current suspension against his driver's license.
- J oli (27 years old). i has five current suspensions against his driver's license.
- A s (29 years old). s has two current suspensions against his driver's license.

1 subject was arrested for driving without a driver's license:

- (21 years old).

Four vehicles were towed and impounded for 30 days as a result of the operation.

Funding for this operation was provided by the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

POLICE PRESS RELEASES



1/18/2012

On January 17, 2012, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., officers from the Santa Rosa and Petaluma Police Departments conducted an undercover court sting operation at the Sonoma County Court House targeting DUI, suspended, and unlicensed drivers. Police officers staked out offenders who had been told by a judge not to drive and followed them from courtrooms to the parking area to be sure they were not driving due to a suspended or revoked license. Eighteen offenders were followed outside by officers. While some offenders had alternate means of transportation, nine got behind the wheel and drove away from the court house. Those who chose to drive were stopped by waiting officers.

7 subjects were arrested for driving on a suspended license after leaving the courthouse:

- J , age 49. P h has one current suspension against her driver's license.
- Je age 37. R has one current suspension against her driver's license.
- H a, age 36. na has one current suspension against her driver's license.
- age 52. T has two current suspensions against his driver's license.
- V R , age 33. R a has one current suspension against his driver's license.
- Kr re, age 54. H e has three current suspensions against her driver's license.
- N ly, age 25. D y has four current suspensions against his driver's license.

2 subjects were arrested for driving without a driver's license:

- G co z, age 35
- P z, age 38

9 vehicles were towed and impounded for 30 days as a result of the operation.

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NEWS RELEASE
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DUI Campaign UPDATE
Day 5 of 18 – Through Tuesday, December 20, 2011

**4 SUSPENDED DRIVERS APPREHENDED
DURING UNDERCOVER COURT STING
Repeat DUI Offenders Caught Driving Away From Court**

Santa Rosa, California – AVOID the 13 Sonoma County DUI Task Force conducted an undercover court sting at the Sonoma County Hall of Justice today between the hours of 8:30am and 12:00pm. Officers from Petaluma Police Department, Santa Rosa Police Department, Sonoma County Sheriff's Office, Sebastopol Police Department, Healdsburg Police Department, Cotati Police Department, and Rohnert Park Department of Public Safety participated in the operation. Officer in plain clothes monitored defendants appearing in court for DUI offenses as well as suspended and unlicensed violations. When defendants left the court, the undercover officers maintained surveillance of them as they walked outside to their vehicle. If the suspended or unlicensed driver got behind the wheel of a vehicle and drove they were apprehended by motor officers waiting nearby. This morning's operation resulted in five drivers being apprehended.

At 9:35am, ****, age 46, from Rohnert Park was stopped after driving away on a suspended license from a previous driving on a suspended license case where he failed to appear. That violation was from a previous DUI conviction. He was issued a citation to appear in court and his vehicle was impounded.

At 9:50am, ****, age 41, from Boyes Hot Springs, was stopped after driving away on a suspended license for two prior DUI offenses. He was issued a citation to appear and his vehicle was impounded for 30 days.

At 10:06am, ****, age 26, from Willits was stopped after driving away on a suspended license for failing to appear in court for driving without a license. His vehicle was impounded for 30 days. He was issued a citation to appear in court.

At 10:45am, ****, age 45, from Sonoma was seen driving away on a suspended license for 3 prior DUI's. He was appearing in court for two pending driving on a suspended license violations. He was issued another citation for driving on a suspended license and his vehicle was impounded for 30 days.



4/12/2011

On Tuesday April 12, 2011, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., officers from the Santa Rosa Police Department and the Petaluma Police Department, with the assistance of the Sonoma County Auto Theft Task Force, conducted an undercover court sting operation at the Sonoma County Courthouse targeting DUI, suspended, and unlicensed drivers. Police officers staked out offenders who had been told by a judge not to drive and followed them from courtrooms to the parking area to be sure they were not driving due to a suspended or revoked license. Numerous offenders were followed outside by officers. While some offenders had alternate means of transportation, four got behind the wheel and drove away from the courthouse. Those who chose to drive were stopped by waiting officers.

4 subjects were arrested for driving on a suspended license after leaving the courthouse:

- (52 years old) was arrested while driving on a suspended license. as been arrested for driving on a suspended license 3 times in Sonoma County since January of 2008 and has 4 current suspensions against his driver's license. has been arrested twice since 2008 for DUI.
- (24 years old) was arrested for driving on a suspended license as well as for an outstanding warrant for his arrest from Alameda County. This is the second time in 2011 that has been arrested for driving on a suspended license in Sonoma County. He has one prior DUI arrest in February of 2011.
- (61 years old) was arrested for driving on a suspended license and currently has two valid suspensions to his driver's license. has been arrested 3 times in Sonoma County since 2010 for driving on a suspended driver's license.
- (33 years old) was arrested for driving on a suspended license and has 3 arrests since 2010 for driving on a suspended license. She has two prior DUI arrests in 2004.

3 subjects were arrested for driving with no license issued:

- (20 years old) was arrested after leaving the courthouse for an appearance on a prior traffic offense for driving without a driver's license. was cited to appear in court.
- (22 years old) was arrested after leaving the courthouse for an appearance on a prior assault charge. was cited to appear in court.
- (21 years old) was arrested after leaving the courthouse for an appearance on a prior DUI arrest and has 3 arrests for driving without a license issued to him since 2009. was cited to appear in court and released.

All subjects were cited to appear in court and released at the scene, with the exception of .

All seven vehicles were impounded for 30 days.

Funding for this operation was provided by the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

POLICE PRESS RELEASES



11/24/2010

On November 23, 2010, between the hours of 8:00 a.m., and 12:00 p.m., officers from the Santa Rosa Police Department conducted an undercover court sting operation at the Sonoma County Courthouse targeting DUI, suspended, and unlicensed drivers. Police officers staked out offenders who had been told by a judge not to drive and followed them from courtrooms to the parking area to be sure they were not driving due to a suspended or revoked license. Ten offenders were followed outside by officers. While some offenders had alternate means of transportation, four got behind the wheel and drove away from the courthouse. Those who chose to drive were stopped by waiting officers.

3 subjects were arrested for driving on a suspended license after leaving the courthouse:

- (23 years old) has been arrested for driving on a suspended license 4 times in Sonoma County since January of 2008.
- (40 years old) has been arrested for driving on a suspended license 4 times since February of 2008 and was in court on November 23rd for violating the terms of his court ordered probation.
- (26 years old) has been arrested for driving on a suspended license 3 times in Sonoma County since 2007.

1 subject was arrested for driving with no license issued:

- (20 years old) was arrested after leaving the courthouse for an appearance on a prior theft charge. does not have a driver's license.

2 of the subjects were also cited for driving while being uninsured,

All 4 subjects were cited to appear in court and released at the scene,

All 4 vehicles were impounded for 30 days.

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