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COMMUNITY BULLETIN

CELEBRATE CINCO DE MAYO WITH A DESIGNATED DRIVER

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For many, Cinco de Mayo is a time for fun and celebration with family and friends that may involve alcohol. Make the responsible choice by celebrating with a designated driver.

This week and into the weekend, the Burbank Police Department will increase patrol efforts to enforce drug and alcohol-related driving offenses. The purpose of these enforcement efforts is to reduce the amount of alcohol and drug-related vehicle crashes, injuries, and deaths. Motorists caught driving impaired can expect the impact of a DUI arrest to include jail time, fines, fees, education classes, license suspensions, and other expenses that can easily exceed \$10,000, not to mention the embarrassment often associated with an arrest.

Please remember, "DUI Doesn't Just Mean Booze" and impaired driving is not specific to alcohol. Some prescription medications and over-the-counter drugs can cause impairment which interferes with the ability to drive safely. Always read warning labels and follow all directions for use.

While medicinal and recreational marijuana use is legal in California, driving while under the influence of marijuana is not. Please be responsible and "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over!"

To avoid a DUI and putting yourself and others at risk, the Burbank Police Department reminds you of the following:

- **Always** designate a sober driver
- Or, use public transportation or a ride-sharing service to get home
- Have a friend or family member who is about to drive buzzed or impaired? Take the keys away and make arrangements to get them home safely. "Drive sober or hand them over!"
- Hosting a party? Offer non-alcoholic beverages, monitor who has been drinking alcohol, and help make arrangements to get people home safely

If you see a suspected drunk or impaired driver on the road, call 9-1-1.



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