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## ***NEWS RELEASE***

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### **OWI Task Force Deployment Results**

From 8PM Friday night to 4AM Saturday morning, the Southeast Multi-Jurisdictional OWI Task Force conducted enforcement targeting impaired drivers. The model for the deployment was “***Stop, Test, Arrest,***” with the goal being to reduce the number of OWI traffic deaths and injuries in this area.

This concentrated and coordinated effort by law enforcement agencies in the Milwaukee County area, under the direction of Sheriff David Clarke, **resulted in the arrest of 37 people for Operating While Intoxicated.**

Since the first deployment in April in 2009, the Task Force has now surpassed 300 OWI arrests. However, the focus of this group of dedicated law enforcement officers is not to make arrests. The ultimate goal is to create voluntary compliance with OWI laws and foster individual responsibility by use of public transit, taxis, designated drivers and responsible alcohol consumption. Until drivers begin to do this, the task force will continue it’s efforts by aggressively seeking out and removing those who continue to make poor choices and endanger everyone on the road.

Agencies participating in this weekend’s deployment and OWI arrest totals:

Milwaukee County Sheriff’s Office(16)  
Bayside PD(1)  
Franklin PD(1)  
Glendale PD(2)  
Wauwatosa PD(3)  
West Allis PD(3)  
State Patrol(9)  
Town of Brookfield PD(2)

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