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DUI STRIKE FORCE PATROL – AUSTIN (15th) DISTRICT

The Chicago Police Department will be conducting a DUI Strike Force Patrol in the Austin (15th) District. The DUI Strike Force Patrol will commence at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, February 20, 2015 and end at 3:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 21, 2015.

The purpose of this program is to saturate a pre-designated area with roving police officers that continually monitor vehicular traffic for signs of impaired driving. Patrols also place emphasis on speed, alcohol-related and safety belt violations. Police vehicles equipped for speed detection are deployed to apprehend speeding violators.

In addition, the Breath Alcohol Testing (BAT) Mobile Unit may also be deployed to allow officers to expedite the process of charging a person with Driving under the Influence (DUI) prior to transporting an alleged into the nearest lockup for bonding. The mobile unit also allows for Individual Recognizance Bonds (I-Bonds) to be issued at the site of the DUI Strike Force Patrol.

The DUI Strike Force Patrol conducted in the Chicago Lawn (8th) District on February 13 – 14, 2015, resulted in the following:

Driving Under the Influence	2
Unsafe Vehicle Violations	19
Insurance Violations	9
Seat belt Violations	12
Driver's License Violations	10
Traffic Violations (Other)	14
Total Citations	66
Other Arrests	0
Vehicles Towed	5

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