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Ferguson Police Department Releases Drunk Driving Crackdown Arrest Numbers *You Drink & Drive. You Lose.*

Ferguson, Mo – Ferguson Police Department made one drunk-driving arrest during the recent May 3-13 drunk driving crackdown.

Officers also issued the following traffic citations: 21 speeding tickets; 3 seat belt tickets; and 28 other traffic violations.

Missouri law enforcement participated in the crackdown on underage drinking to ensure Missouri youth celebrate safe and sober so they could Arrive Alive at prom and graduation.

It is illegal for someone under 21 to possess or consume alcohol in Missouri, yet youth make up a significant proportion of drunk drivers causing traffic crashes on Missouri roadways. Missouri has a Zero Tolerance Law. If you are under 21, your license will be suspended if you're caught driving with even a trace of alcohol in your system.

The sobering fact is that impaired driving contributes to nearly 30 percent of all Missouri traffic fatalities. In 2011 in Missouri, 220 people were killed and 916 seriously injured in crashes involving an impaired driver.

Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over. For more information, please visit saveMOLives.com.