



# VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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### Two Arrested For DUI

Visalia, CA. – Visalia Police Department arrested two drivers on suspicion of DUI while conducting DUI patrols on November 24th. More than sixty traffic enforcement stops were conducted. The enforcement stops resulted in sixty traffic citations, seven of those citing unlicensed drivers.

Visalia Police Department is committed to keeping the public safe when they are out. "Driving under the influence is dangerous, illegal, and irresponsible," Agent Nate Henry said. "Driving impaired is never excusable."

Drivers charged with a first-time DUI face an average of \$13,500 in fines and penalties, as well as a suspended license.

Visalia Police Department reminds the public that impaired driving is not just from alcohol. Some prescription medications or over-the-counter drugs may interfere with driving. Always follow directions for use and read warning labels about driving or "Operating heavy machinery," which includes driving a car. While medicinal and recreational marijuana are legal, driving under the influence of marijuana is illegal.

Visalia Police Department will be holding a series of DUI enforcement patrols throughout the year to keep our roadways safe.

Funding for this DUI Patrol was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.



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