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# NEWS RELEASE

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### **Average BAC in September Alcohol DUIs was .13%**

The Beaverton Police Department is participating in a yearlong National Traffic Safety Campaign again in 2019. The focus of this campaign is taking impaired drivers off our streets, keeping Beaverton a safe city to travel and live.

Officers were out on targeted patrols for impaired drivers during the month of September and made 23 DUII arrests. During the month of October, officers will continue their efforts to take impaired drivers off the streets of our no refusal city. This High Visibility Enforcement (HVE) detail was paid for by grant funds from Oregon Impact and ODOT. Out of the 23 arrests, 2 people refused to take a breath test and a warrant for a blood draw was granted. Out of the people who were arrested for an alcohol related DUII and provided a breath sample, the average blood alcohol content (BAC) in their blood was .13%.

7 Of the 23 DUII drivers crashed their car prior to being arrested. 10 Intoxicated drivers were found by citizens calling the police and 13 intoxicated drivers were found by our patrol officers performing self-initiated activity.

The highest BAC in June was .18% and the lowest BAC was .00%. 4 People had a BAC of .16% or higher. 5 Drivers were under the influence of an intoxicant other than alcohol and at least 4 drivers were under the influence of alcohol and a controlled substance.

Drunk driving, impaired driving or buzzed driving all have the potential to claim lives. The men and women of the Beaverton Police Department ask you to please use a designated driver or find another sober ride home.

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