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Average BAC in January Alcohol DUIs was .16%

The Beaverton Police Department is participating in a yearlong National Traffic Safety Campaign again in 2020. 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 January and made 33 DUII arrests. During the month of February, officers will continue their efforts to take impaired drivers off the streets. This High Visibility Enforcement (HVE) detail was paid for by grant funds from Oregon Impact and ODOT. Out of the 33 arrests, seven people refused to take a breath test and a warrant for a blood draw was granted since we are a 'no refusal' city.

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 .16%. Five people had a BAC of .15% or higher, with the highest being .33%. The lowest BAC was .00%.

One impaired driver was driving at 100 MPH prior to being stopped. Another impaired driver was involved in an auto/pedestrian crash.

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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