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# NEWS RELEASE

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### **Average BAC for December Alcohol DUIIs was .19%**

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

Officers were out on targeted patrols for impaired drivers during the month of December and made 24 DUII arrests, which brought the total number of DUII arrest for the year to 354. In January, and throughout 2021, 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 24 arrests, 3 people refused to take a breath test and a warrant for a blood draw was granted. The average blood alcohol content (BAC) for alcohol related DUIIs where a breath sample was provided was .16%.

The highest BAC was .23% and the lowest BAC was .10%. There were 11 drivers who had a BAC of .15% or higher. Of those 11 drivers, 4 had a BAC of .20% or higher.

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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