



News from the Shelby County Sheriff's Office

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Metro DUI Squad Issues 159 Violations in Safety Initiative

Officers with the Metro DUI Squad conducted a county-wide traffic safety initiative last night which led to the arrest of six (6) people and 153 traffic citations. The squad is comprised of officers with the Shelby County Sheriff's Office and Germantown Police Department.

Officers, including Sheriff's Office Reserve Deputies assigned to the squad, watched for drivers who might be impaired by alcohol and drugs. The DUI Officers also looked for people speeding, driving recklessly and not wearing seat belts. Here are the results of the safety initiative:

Regular/Courtesy Violations: 153

- Speeding 67
- Seat Belts 33
- Disregarding a Stop Sign 14
- Vehicle Equipment Violations 11
- State Registration 9
- Other County Moving Violations 7
- No Driver's License 5
- Financial Responsibility 4
- Disregarding a Red Light 2
- Improper Lane Change 1

Arrests: 6

- Driving on a Suspended/Revoked/Cancelled License 4
- D.U.I. 1
- Possession of a Controlled Substance (Marijuana) 1

Last night's Metro DUI enforcement initiative was funded by a grant from the Governor's Highway Safety Office. The grant enables law enforcement officers across Tennessee to work additional hours to spot and arrest drivers under the influence of alcohol and drugs.

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