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**Pasadena Police Department Holding DUI/Driver's License Checkpoint
April 26, 2024**

Pasadena, Calif. – On Friday, April 26, 2024, the Pasadena Police Department will conduct a driving under the influence (DUI)/Driver's License Checkpoint at an undisclosed location within Pasadena city limits.

DUI/Driver's License checkpoint locations are determined based on data showing incidents of impaired driving-related crashes. The primary purpose of these checkpoints is to promote public safety by taking suspected impaired drivers off the road.

"Impaired drivers put others on the road at significant risk," Lieutenant Anthony Russo said. "Any prevention measures that reduce the number of impaired drivers on our roads significantly improves traffic safety and can save lives."

The Pasadena Police Department reminds the public that impaired driving is not just from alcohol. Some prescription medications and over-the-counter drugs may interfere with driving. While medicinal and recreational marijuana are legal, driving under the influence of marijuana is illegal.

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

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