



# VILLAGE OF LINCOLNSHIRE

## Press Release

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### **Lincolnshire Police Warns of Unlucky St. Patrick's Day for Impaired Drivers**

(LINCOLNSHIRE, III) The Lincolnshire Police Department will conduct special patrols this St. Patrick's Day to curb impaired and dangerous drivers and encourage motorists to wear their seat belts.

The special traffic safety campaign will run from March 12 to March 18.

According to the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), St. Patrick's Day is one of the deadliest holidays of the year due to the number of drunk drivers on the road.

"We urge our community residents and visitors to enjoy St. Patrick's Day responsibly," said Dillon Forkes, Lincolnshire police officer. "The Police Department will be out in force to keep impaired drivers off the roads and help ensure that everyone makes it home safely."

Before the green beer starts flowing, designate a driver, call a cab, use a ride-sharing service, have a sober friend or family member pick you up, or stay where you are and sleep it off. Never let a friend leave your sight if you think they're about to drive impaired and always buckle up – it's your best defense in a crash.

Pedestrians should also take extra precaution to keep an eye for impaired motorists. Additionally, drivers should be alert for impaired walkers who may not obey street signs and pedestrian signals.

The Illinois "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" and "Click It or Ticket" campaigns are administered by IDOT with federal highway safety funds managed by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The Village of Lincolnshire, 1957, is a northern suburb of Chicago and is conveniently adjacent to the Tri-State Tollway. Lincolnshire is home to 7,300 residents, two nationally-recognized public school districts, and over 400 businesses – a number of which are global headquarters and Fortune 500 companies.

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