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The St. Petersburg Police Department will conduct a DUI/Safety Point Operation on Friday, December 14, 2012, beginning at 10:30 p.m.

Several local law enforcement agencies will assist SPPD during the operation, including the Florida Highway Patrol, Pinellas County Sheriff’s Office, Gulfport Police Department, Kenneth City Police Department, Pinellas Park Police Department and the Belleair Police Department.

The DUI/Safety Point operation will take place in the parking lot of the Publix Supermarket, 1700 34th Street North, St. Petersburg.

All southbound traffic on 34 Street North (U.S. Highway 19) will be diverted into the check point until the operation ends at 4:00 AM Saturday, December 15, 2012.

During the operation, the St. Petersburg Department will utilize the fully equipped Chevrolet Tahoe awarded to the Department’s DUI Unit by the Florida Department of Transportation and the Florida Public Safety Institute for their exemplary efforts in DUI enforcement.

Hopefully, the Chevrolet Tahoe with it’s “Over the Limit - Under Arrest” markings will serve as a visual reminder to drivers and encourage everyone to refrain from drinking and driving during the holiday season.

Acting Lieutenant Mike Preshur of the DUI Unit will be available during the DUI/Safety Point operation to answer any media questions.

Chief of Police Charles “Chuck” Harmon and the St. Petersburg Police Department hopes everyone has a safe and enjoyable holiday and encourages motorists not to drink and drive.

Informaion by Bill Proffitt and Mike Puetz on Thursday December 13, 2012 at 2:30 p.m.

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