

KS roadways watched for Labor Day holiday

(KAIR)--Kansas Law enforcement, for the Labor Day weekend, will be searching for impaired driver, working the annual, combined campaigns dubbed “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” and “If You Feel Different, You Drive Different.” In conjunction, the Kansas Department of Transportation is warning drivers of the risks and consequences associated with such driving, partnering with the National Highway Traffic Safety Association to, as a press release puts it, “bring attention to the sobering statistics.”

According to the release, three out of ten fatal crashes, in 2020, were caused by impaired drivers, with KDOT Behavioral Safety Manager Gary Herman noting that over 19% of all Kansas traffic fatalities that year were alcohol related, adding that one person was killed every 45 minutes in a drunk-driving crash, nationwide, that year.

The two drunk driving campaigns are set to start Friday, September 2 and run through Tuesday, September 6, with law enforcement to be, as the release states, “out in force.”

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