

DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT

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DeKalb Police Department to motorists: Celebrating Thanksgiving?

Buckle up and drive sober.

This Thanksgiving, the DeKalb Police Department is joining the Illinois State Police and local law enforcement to ensure holiday travelers are buckled up and driving sober with a “Click It or Ticket” and “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” enforcement campaign that runs Nov. 17-27.

The goal of this high-visibility effort is to reduce motor vehicle crashes, injuries, and fatalities. Proper seat-belt use is the most effective way to protect vehicle occupants. According to IDOT, the statewide seatbelt usage rate has room for improvement at 92.9%.

If you’ll be celebrating with alcohol or other impairing substances, please remember:

- Plan for a sober ride home before you go out.
- Ask a family member to get you home safely.
- Use your favorite ride-share service or public transportation.
- If you see a suspected drunk driver, pull over safely and call 911.
- Make sure everyone in your vehicle wears their seat belt. It is the best defense against an impaired driver.

The Thanksgiving enforcement effort is made possible by federal traffic safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

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