



## **CITY OF ST. JOSEPH POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS RELEASE**

### **You Drink & Drive You Lose.**

The St. Joseph Police Department Cracks Down on Impaired Drivers

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St. Joseph, MO – The sobering fact is that impaired driving contributes to nearly 30 percent of all Missouri traffic fatalities. In 2010, 234 people were killed and 957 seriously injured in crashes involving an impaired driver. That's why the St. Joseph Police Department will join other Missouri law enforcement agencies to crack down on drunk driving August 19<sup>th</sup> through September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

The St. Joseph Police Department will participate in statewide sobriety checkpoints and DWI saturation patrols enforcing Missouri's DWI laws and keeping impaired drivers off the road.

Consequences of drunk driving include jail time, loss of driver's license, or being sentenced to use ignition interlocks. Other financial hits include attorney fees, court costs, lost time at work, increased insurance rates and potential loss of employment.

Our message is simple: You Drink and Drive, You Lose.

For more information, please visit [www.saveMOlives.com](http://www.saveMOlives.com).

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