



Press Release
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SCSO, MPD to Conduct Sobriety Roadside Checkpoints

The **Shelby County Sheriff's Office** along with the **Memphis Police Department** will be conducting two **Sobriety Roadside Safety Checkpoints** on **Thursday, June 6, 2013**. The first checkpoint will be conducted on **Kirby Whitten north of Raleigh LaGrange from 8:00-10:00 pm**.

The **second** checkpoint will be at **Hacks Cross south of Winchester from 11:00- 1:00 am**. Impaired driving is a serious crime that kills more than 16,000 people and injures 305,000 others every year in the United States.

Officers will evaluate drivers for signs of alcohol or drug impairment. Officers will also target those who operate a vehicle while impaired and take corrective actions for other violations observed while ensuring the protection of all motorists.

The Shelby County Sheriff's Office and Memphis Police Department recognize that sobriety checkpoints are highly visible and effective tools in the battle against impaired driving.

This checkpoint will be 100% funded with federal grant dollars in the amount of \$200,000. This project is funded under an agreement with the Tennessee Governor's Highway Safety Office.

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