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Illinois State Police Announce Special Traffic Enforcement Patrols Results

Downers Grove, IL – Illinois State Police District 15 Interim Commander Dominic Chiappini announced today enforcement figures for Special Traffic Enforcement Patrols (sTEP) between May 10 and May 28 in the following counties: Cook on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) and the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294), DeKalb on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88), DuPage on I-88 and the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355), Kane on I-88 and I-90, Lake on the North Tri-State Tollway (I-94), Will on I-355 and Winnebago on I-90.

Violation	Enforcement Activity
Occupant restraint citations	41
Driving under the influence arrests	7
Drug/alcohol-related arrests	1
Speeding citations	277
All other citations	244
Total citations/arrests	570
Total written warnings	125

Slowing down and observing the speed limit not only saves lives, but also saves on gas. Additionally, safety belts are proven to be the most effective safety devices in vehicles today and are estimated to save over 16,000 lives each year. The sTEP program involves a combination of increased enforcement and community education designed to raise public awareness and compliance with all traffic laws. A special emphasis was placed on speeding, failure to wear a safety belt, DUI and other alcohol-related offenses in areas that experience the highest level of traffic problems. This project was funded through the Illinois Department of Transportation, Division of Traffic Safety.

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