



HAYWARD POLICE DEPARTMENT



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The Hayward Police Department Encourages Safe St. Patrick’s Day Celebrations

Hayward, Calif. – This St. Patrick’s Day, the Hayward Police Department will be on alert for suspected impaired drivers and reminds the community to celebrate the holiday responsibly.

Additional officers will be on patrol March 17 from 7:00 p.m. to Midnight looking for drivers suspected of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

“Have a game plan before you celebrate St. Patrick’s Day,” Hayward Police Department, Sgt. Tasha DeCosta said, “Designate a sober driver or make other plans to get home safely.”

During the 2019 St. Patrick’s Day holiday period, nearly half of all traffic deaths throughout the country involved a drunk driver.

The Hayward Police Department, Sgt. Tasha DeCosta wants to warn the community that alcohol is not the only substance that can cause impairment. Cannabis, prescription medications, over-the-counter drugs, and illegal drugs can all lead to a DUI.

If you ever see a suspected drunk driver on the road, call 911.

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