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Pierce County law enforcement team up for 'HiVE' patrol near Tacoma

Tacoma, Wash. – The Washington State Patrol (WSP), Puyallup Police Department (PuyPD), Bonney Lake Police Department (BLPD), and Tacoma Police Department (TPD) are combining their efforts to reduce serious injury and fatality collisions during a “High Visibility Enforcement” (HiVE) patrol on Saturday, December 31, 2022.

This will be the last of four HiVE patrols occurring in conjunction with statewide efforts during the upcoming holiday season.

The Washington Traffic Safety Commission (WTSC) reports Washington state witnessed a 20-year high number of fatality crashes in 2021: 596 collisions resulting 633 tragic deaths.

Saturday’s daylong HIVE patrol will focus on the area State Route 7 between State Route 512 and State Route 507, with increased enforcement efforts during peak collision times.

The HiVE patrol locations and times are dictated by data collected by each agency. Law enforcement participating utilize an all crimes approach with a focus on collision causing violations including speed, following distance, impaired driving, distracted driving and aggressive driving behaviors.

Washington State Patrol, PuyPD, BLPD, and TPD would like to remind the motoring public to always wear their seatbelt. Choosing to buckle up is the first step a motorist and their occupants can proactively take to help avoid serious injury or death in the case of a collision.

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