

The DUI driver in 24% of all fatal DUI involved crashes has at least one prior conviction, as do 27% of drivers arrested for DUI. Seventy-five percent of drivers convicted of DUI continue to drive despite having a suspended or revoked driver's license.

The Covina Police Department has teamed with the California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and 35 other California law enforcement agencies in an effort to keep suspended drivers with two or more prior Driving while Under the Influence (DUI) convictions off of our roadways.

Twice a month the DMV Hot List Program sends a secured data list to Covina PD, of the Covina area drivers that have at least two, or more prior convictions for DUI and whose driver's license is suspended for those convictions. Covina PD personnel review and verify the data to ensure that it meets the DMV program guidelines.

Once the data has been verified, the Covina Police Department will send a notification letter to those drivers reminding them of their driver's license suspension and our future enforcement efforts that will be underway through compliance checks, directed patrols and stakeout/sting operations.

Covina Police Chief Kim Raney said, "These are the most dangerous drivers on the road, and the intent of the program is to keep unlicensed and restricted drivers off of the road until their driving privileges have been reinstated. Hopefully many of them will hear of this program and opt not to drive. Our officers will be out there trying to catch those who circumvent the law."

Funding for this program is from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Please contact Sergeant Tom Tardif at 626-384-5667 for any questions, or via mail at ttardif@covinaca.gov

Neighborhood Watch Report Newsletter

The Crime Prevention Unit of the Covina Police Department has developed a monthly newsletter. The newsletter is intended to update readers on relevant local law enforcement issues, as well as offer crime prevention tips.

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