

PROCLAMATION

“Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month”

December 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024

WHEREAS, Roosevelt County officials value the health and safety of all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, local leaders, in government and in the community, know that the support of the citizens in our communities are the most effective tools they can have in their efforts to reduce the use of alcohol and other drugs by New Mexicans; and

WHEREAS, Roosevelt County is joining with other New Mexico DWI Coordinator Affiliates to support all efforts to reduce DWI crashes, DWI fatalities and the use of alcohol by residents throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, the New Mexico DWI Coordinators Affiliate represents 33 counties with the common goal of reducing the incidence of DWI, alcoholism, alcohol abuse, drug addiction or drug abuse and preventing or reducing the incidence of domestic abuse related to the use or abuse of alcohol; and

WHEREAS, the New Mexico DWI Coordinators in the 33 counties provide services under Local DWI Programs that provide Compliance Monitoring/Tracking for over 12,000 DWI/ DUI offenders ensuring that clients are in compliance with Court Ordered requirements; and

WHEREAS, students (K-12th grade) throughout the State also receive prevention education/activities through these programs; and

WHEREAS, nationwide, every day 926 people are injured or every 90 seconds someone is injured in drunk driving crash (MADD); and

WHEREAS, about 30 percent of all traffic fatalities in the United States involve a driver who is alcohol impaired. Each day, about 32 people in the United States die in a crash in which at least one driver is alcohol impaired. That’s one person every 45 minutes (SAMHSA); and

WHEREAS, some prescription and over-the-counter medications can cause extreme drowsiness, dizziness, and other side effects. If there’s a warning on the medication about “operating heavy machinery,” that includes driving a vehicle; marijuana can slow reaction time, impair judgment of time and distance, and decrease coordination; opioids can cause drowsiness and impair cognitive function; Cocaine and methamphetamines can lead to aggressive and reckless driving; and

WHEREAS, it is illegal everywhere in the United States to drive under the influence of alcohol, marijuana, opioids, methamphetamines, or any potentially impairing drug (SAMHSA); and

WHEREAS, if you’re attending a gathering where alcohol or other substances will be served, plan beforehand to get home safely; do not let others get behind the wheel if they’re under the influence; if you host a party where alcohol or other substances will be served ask your guest to make a plan to get home safely, offer substance-free beverages, make sure all guests leave with a sober driver; and

WHEREAS, Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month will be a focus in **Curry, De Baca and Roosevelt counties** in New Mexico during, December 1st – 31st, 2024; and

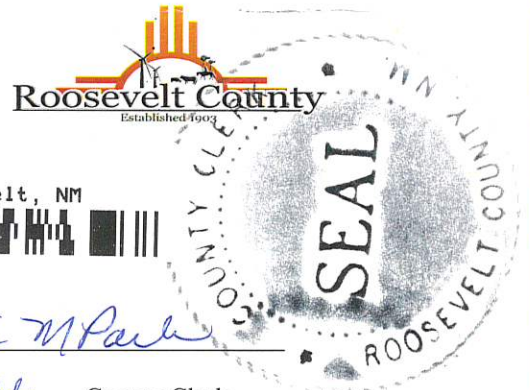
NOW, THEREFORE, be it proclaimed that the governing body Roosevelt County, Board of Commissioners, does hereby designate December, 202~~3~~⁴ as:

“Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month”

Roosevelt County Board of Commissioners urges all citizens, parents, governmental agencies, public and private institutions, businesses, hospitals, schools and colleges in Roosevelt County to support efforts that will increase community awareness, understanding and action to address DWI in our community.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISIONERS OF ROOSEVELT COUNTY

Executed this 3rd day of December, 2024



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