Officers to increase DUI patrol on Super Bowl Sunday

The Avoid the 6 El Dorado County DUI Campaign is reminding football fans watching this year's Super Bowl game with friends and family to make the right decision before kickoff and have a game plan for a designated sober driver.

Law Enforcement joins with the national "Fans Don't Let Fans Drive Drunk" message from the National Football League, the California Office of Traffic Safety, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, and Techniques for Effective Alcohol Management Coalition.

The Avoid the 6 DUI Task Force will be deploying special roving DUI patrols on Feb. 5 in several communities throughout the area looking to stop and arrest drivers who are impaired by alcohol or drugs. These DUI patrols are, in addition to regularly scheduled patrol officers, all looking for the tale-tell signs of an intoxicated driver behind the wheel.

In 2010, more than 10,000 people were killed in motor vehicle traffic crashes that involved at least one driver or motorcycle rider with a blood alcohol concentration of 0.08 or higher. In Californian, this deadly crime led to 791 deaths because someone failed to designate a sober driver.