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Defiance County Safe Communities Coalition 2017 Driver Sober or Get Pulled Over Campaign

In 2015, there were 10,265 people killed in drunk-driving-related crashes on our nation's roadways. This number accounted for nearly one-third of the total number of crash fatalities for the year. This Labor Day, know that The Defiance County Safe Communities Coalition is partnering with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and law enforcement agencies nationwide August 16-September 4 to help put an end to drunk driving. Remember the campaign motto: Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over.

The Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over national high-visibility enforcement campaign ends on September 4. However, our commitment to enforcing drunk-driving laws will continue throughout the year. Drunk driving is never okay. If you are planning to drink, plan ahead for a sober ride home. Even one drink is one too many. There are options to get you home safely, including public transportation, trusted friends or relatives, or using NHTSA's SaferRide mobile app to call a taxi or friend, available at www.nhtsa.gov/link/saferride/.

The Defiance County Safe Communities Coalition will have a tent at the fair August 23-24 with games and information concerning traffic safety. For more information about the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over enforcement campaign, please contact Katie Mabaugh with Defiance County Public Health at kmarbaugh@defiance-county.com or visit www.TrafficSafetyMarketing.gov

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