

# DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## **Impaired Driving Is Scary: The DeKalb Police Department Is On The Lookout For Drunk and Drugged Driving This Halloween**

The DeKalb Police Department today urged motorists to commit to sober driving this Halloween when children and their families will be walking through neighborhoods after dark in search of candy and spooky fun. If you will be out scaring up a good time, remember to plan for a sober ride home.

“Alcohol and marijuana impair not only your ability to drive safely, but also your decision-making skills,” said Cmdr. Chad McNett. “That’s why it’s so important to know how you’ll get home before you leave for the party. Plan ahead to help keep yourself and others safe.”

The DeKalb Police Department urges everyone to follow these simple tips to help keep our roads safe this Halloween:

- Plan a safe way to get home before you attend a party. You can designate a sober driver, take public transportation, use your favorite ride-sharing service, or call a sober friend or family member to get home.
- Walking while impaired can be just as dangerous as driving impaired. Designate a sober friend to walk you home.
- If you see an impaired driver on the road, contact local law enforcement as soon as it is safe to do so.
- If you see an impaired person about to drive, contact local law enforcement or if they are familiar to you, consider taking their keys and help them get home safely.

The Halloween enforcement campaign is funded by federal highway safety dollars administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

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