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Starting Monday November 19th and going through Sunday November 25th, the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office will be participating in the Kansas Department of Transportation's (KDOT) Thanksgiving Safe Arrival Campaign. This initiative is funded by KDOT and the focus will be on driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs and occupant protection.

Travelers can expect an increased law enforcement presence on highways and roadways in Sedgwick County. Enforcement will occur around the clock. Law enforcement will be especially vigilant at night when seatbelt use diminishes, meaning the likelihood of unrestrained crash injuries and deaths soars during those hours. Law enforcement will also be looking for drivers operating vehicles under the influence of alcohol and drugs.

While seat belts may not always protect from serious or fatal injury, certainly no other piece of equipment within the vehicle provides more protection. The Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office remains committed to making the roadways safe for the driving public. We are asking for the public's assistance with this campaign. We are asking the public to slow down, wear their seatbelts, obey traffic control devices, and not operate a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Drivers can expect strict enforcement of all traffic laws.

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