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Visalia Police Department Announce Results of DUI Court Sting Operation

On 01/21/14 during the morning court session, officers from Visalia Police Department conducted an undercover court sting operation at the Visalia Superior Court. The operation targeted individuals who choose to drive with a suspended or revoked license as a result of a driving under the influence arrest. Police officers conducted a stakeout to identify individuals who had been advised by a judge not to drive. Officers followed summoned individuals from the courtrooms to the parking area to be sure they were not driving. Four individuals were followed outside by officers. All of the offenders except for (1) had alternate means of transportation.

Suspects Arrested:

Octavio Franco 49yrs. from Visalia, CA (Arrested for driving with a suspended license due to a prior DUI)

The DUI Enforcement Team and other units of the Visalia Police Department will be conducting additional details aimed at deterring individuals from driving with a suspended driver's license. Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

If you have any questions, please contact Sgt. Ozzie Dominguez at 713-4216.

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