



## VILLAGE OF PINECREST

Press Release

### For Additional Information:

Michelle Hammontree  
Communications Manager  
305.234.2121, Ext. 122  
786.606.3042 Cell  
[mhammontree@pinecrest-fl.gov](mailto:mhammontree@pinecrest-fl.gov)

Media Contact: Michelle Hammontree Garcia  
Communications Manager  
[mhammontree@pinecrest-fl.gov](mailto:mhammontree@pinecrest-fl.gov)  
786-606-3042

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Police to deploy specialized mobile DUI processing vehicles Labor Day weekend**  
*Pinecrest is teaming up with MADD and FDOT to host a multi-agency DUI enforcement and traffic safety event.*

**Pinecrest, FL** – Each year Helen Witty, a Pinecrest resident and MADD advocate, leads roll call the Friday before Labor Day weekend by telling officers about the day she lost her daughter to a drunk driver. Helen Marie was killed on June 1, 2000, as she skated in a bike path near her home.

This is not your everyday roll call. Police officers from more than ten agencies will unite and work together to get drunk drivers off the street and help educate the public about traffic safety. Red and blue lights will dot US 1 from SW 42nd Avenue to SW 184th Street during the annual Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) multi-agency traffic safety enforcement detail.

Media is invited to participate and create awareness about drunk driving and options available to drivers who should not get behind the wheel. Public Information officers will be available from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Roll call starts at 8:00 p.m. Friday, August 31st in the parking area of the Pinecrest Municipal Center, 12645 Pinecrest Parkway.

Specialized mobile DUI processing vehicles from the Pinecrest Police and Miami Police fleets will be onsite. Law enforcement will be focusing on impaired driving (DUI) as well distracted driving (as part of FDOT's on-going Put It Down campaign), aggressive driving, red-light running, speeding, seatbelt use, move-over law compliance and general traffic safety.

This event is being coordinated by the Southeast Community Traffic Safety Team (SE CTST) with the assistance of the Florida Department of Transportation's Community Traffic Safety Program (CTSP). The goal of the CTSP is to reduce the number and severity of traffic crashes through a comprehensive, multi-jurisdictional approach that combines the four E's of safety: Enforcement, Emergency services, Education, and Engineering.

###

Office of the Village Manager | Communications Division  
12645 Pinecrest Parkway, Pinecrest, Florida 33156  
T: 305.234.2121 | F: 305.234.2131  
[www.pinecrest-fl.gov](http://www.pinecrest-fl.gov)

