



CHICO POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

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Type of Event: Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) and the California Office of Traffic Safety recognizes local Police Officers for their commitment to removing impaired drivers from our roadways.

Date 8/18/2015

Location: Red Lion Inn, Redding CA.

An awards ceremony and luncheon hosted by the California Office of Traffic Safety and Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) was held today at the Red Lion in Redding. The luncheon was held to recognize and honor Officers from local counties who had gone above and beyond in their efforts to combat drunk driving.

The MADD organization recognized Officers who have taken significant numbers of impaired drivers off the roads during the past year. The Chico Police Department is proud to say that two of our Officers were recognized at the event.

Travis Johnsen was recognized for making 73 DUI arrests in 2014. Travis has received this award multiple times and has over 1000 DUI arrests in his career.

Officer Ryon Mitchell was also recognized for making 27 DUI arrests in 2014. He has also been recognized multiple times. As a Department, we are very proud of their work in this critical area of law enforcement.

The Chico Police Department remains committed to the safety of this community and recognizes the danger that each impaired driver represents. No one knows how many lives may have been saved by the arrests these Officers made. Chico PD would like to ask for your help in this effort. Please report impaired drivers to local law enforcement

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Watch Commander: B. Aldridge

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