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## Orange County Sheriff's Department Arrests Three Suspects with Outstanding DUI Warrants

**SANTA ANA, California** (April 1, 2014) – On Monday, March 31, deputies from the Orange County Sheriff's Department deployed into neighborhoods in search of high-risk DUI offenders. Some people think if they do not show up for a court hearing, law enforcement will not have the manpower to find them. If you have a DUI violation, beware. Officers served warrants and arrested 3 offenders who either failed to show up for a court date or violated terms of their probation in an outstanding DUI case.

"Anyone with a missed DUI court date should go to court on their own," said Deputy Shane Stewart of the Orange County Sheriff's Department Traffic Bureau. "If you don't, that warrant isn't going away. We're going to come find you and take you to jail."

These offenders often face additional jail time for failing to appear in court or for violating probation. When family, friends, and co-workers find out, violators can also face personal embarrassment as they are lead away in handcuffs, as well as missing work while sitting in jail.

Special DUI Warrant Service Operations along with regularly scheduled high-visibility DUI enforcement has a deterrent effect on those who disregard driving safety and abuse alcohol and drugs. The Orange County Sheriff's Department places a high priority on lowering deaths and injury with the goal of removing impaired drivers and heightening awareness of the dangers of driving under the influence of drugs and alcohol.

Funding for the operation is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Report Drunk Drivers - Call 9-1-1!