

TORRANCE COUNTY

RESOLUTION 2005-9

WHEREAS, Driving While under the Influence of alcohol and other drugs (DWI) continues to be a major problem in New Mexico and;

WHEREAS, Torrance County has joined programs funded by the State of New Mexico in reducing DWI and;

WHEREAS, The Torrance County DWI prevention programs have been supported and administered by the Torrance County DWI Planning Council and;

WHEREAS, There are continuing collaborative prevention efforts between Santa Fe County and Torrance County and this model should encourage statewide collaborations;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of Torrance County endorses Governor Bill Richardson's Strategic DWI Prevention Program (Summary attached) and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the governing body of Torrance County supports the Torrance County DWI Program, the Department of Finance Special Projects Division and Santa Fe County and sends its regards to the Governor for taking active leadership in the fight against DWI.

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED, that the governing body of Torrance County recommends to its citizens to support relief efforts by giving blood at the nearest available blood donation center.

DONE at Estancia, New Mexico, Torrance County this 24th of January 2005.

TORRANCE COUNTY COMMISSION

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New Mexico Multi-Agency DWI Strategic Plan

Governor's Statewide Multi-Agency DWI Strategic Planning Team

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Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is the statewide Multi-Agency DWI Strategic Plan that was recently finalized. This document is the product of several agencies, both executive and judicial, working toward a common goal: "Eliminate New Mexico's DWI problem by utilizing everyone as part of the solution."

We are deeply grateful for the tireless, collaborative work of the seventy individuals from both inside and outside of New Mexico State Government who contributed countless hours to advance a common goal shared by all New Mexicans.

The following is a brief summary of the top strategic priorities of this planning effort:

- 1. Develop a comprehensive DWI data system
- 2. Create the position of a statewide DWI Coordinator
- 3. Balance funding for all state agencies in DWI process
- 4. Fund the costs of mandatory sentencing to the criminal justice system
- 5. Develop a statewide vehicle forfeiture initiative
- 6. Increase funding for law enforcement equipment and personnel
- 7. Increase DWI checkpoint operations

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- 8. Establish performance criteria for treatment and other DWI interventions
- 9. Develop an electronic scheduling process to streamline DWI adjudication
- 10. Create a state-wide DWI prevention media campaign
- 11. Expand DWI/Drug Courts

In addition to the recommendations contained within, the multi-agency group would like to make a final recommendation that a committee similar to this continue to oversee the work that will be done to accomplish the goals set forth by your administration. Finally, I would also like to thank Bob Schwartz for providing his assistance to the planning team.

Sincerely,

Joe Re Williams

Secretary of Corrections

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