

For Immediate Release

EUREKA POLICE DEPT RUNS DECOY OPERATION IN AN ATTEMPT TO REDUCE UNDERAGE DRINKING

(Eureka) – The Eureka Police Department and the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) cited 3 clerks for selling alcohol to a minor. This action was the result of a “Minor Decoy” sting operation conducted with grant funding on 01-17-2013.

The Minor Decoy Operation involves minors who work under the direct supervision of law enforcement and attempted to purchase alcohol from 19 retail licensees in the City of Eureka.

Those who sold to the minor face a maximum of a \$250.00 fine, and/or 24 to 32 hours of community service for a first violation. In addition, the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) may take administrative action against the business’s liquor license. That may include a fine, a suspension of the liquor license, or the permanent revocation of the license.

The minor decoy **WAS ABLE** to purchase alcohol from the following businesses:

- 1). Chevron (2806 Broadway)**
- 2). Denny’s Restaurant (136 5th Street)**
- 3). CVS (1111 Myrtle Ave)**

The minor decoy **WAS UNABLE** to purchase alcohol from the following businesses:

- 1). Performance Fuels (1125 4th Street)**
- 2). N&S Liquors (1505 5th Street)**
- 3). Broadway Gas-N-Deli (4050 Broadway)**
- 4). Patriot Gasoline (1723 Broadway)**
- 5). C&V Market (1634 F Street)**
- 6). Handee Market (3500 F Street)**
- 7). Gas-N-Go (1711 4th Street)**
- 8). Performance Fuels (1007 Broadway)**
- 9). Shell Gas Station (1434 Myrtle Ave)**
- 10). 5th Street Shell (1310 5th Street)**
- 11). Harris Street Liquors (411 West Harris)**
- 12). Texaco (3505 Broadway)**
- 13). South Broadway Patriot (4175 Broadway)**
- 14). Ray’s Food Place (3460 Broadway)**
- 15). Walgreens (1424 Broadway)**
- 16). Stop-N- Shop (39 Wabash)**

- 17.) Winco Foods (636 West Harris)**
- 18.) Harris Street Shell (111 West Harris)**
- 19.) Annies Cambodian Cuisine (1917 5th Street)**
- 20.) Pachanga Mexicana (1802 5th Street)**
- 21.) PAK Indian Cuisine (1735 4th Street)**
- 22.) Hue Southeast Asian Cuisine (1039 4th Street)**
- 23.) Mazzotti's Old Town (305 F Street)**
- 24.) Adel's Restaurant (1724 Broadway)**
- 25.) Village Pantry (1912 Broadway)**
- 26.) Harbor Lanes (2136 Broadway)**

Officers and Agents also used the minor decoys to conduct Shoulder Tap stings outside local establishments throughout the City of Eureka. One adult was cited and released in the 600 block of West Harris after furnishing the decoy with an alcoholic beverage.

This project is part of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control's Minor Decoy / Shoulder Tap Grant Project, funded by the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The Eureka Police Department would like to commend those businesses that were diligent and did not sell to our decoys.

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