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Police Set To Blitz Local Roads This Festive Season

Dr Mike Nahan, the Member for Riverton welcomed the announcement that the WA Police are set to blitz local roads this festive season as part of their 'anywhere, anytime' strategy to tackle drink driving.

"Colin Barnett, the State Government and I are determined to help ensure safety on roads in the Riverton Electorate during the festive season," said Dr Nahan.

"Funding for an additional 5,500 policing hours to crack down on drink-driving and other offences has been allocated to this festive period to tackle the problem of drink driving. The extra hours will see police in patrol cars, unmarked cars and paddy wagons conducting extra patrols in back streets across the State."

Dr Nahan said that they did not want anybody in the Riverton Electorate to lose a loved one on our roads during this Christmas season and that is why this Government has made the additional policing hours available.

"We are doing everything that we can to make our roads safer but each individual also has a responsibility to themselves and our community. If you have had something to drink, make sure you either get a lift home or get a taxi because there is a good chance that whether, you are on a main road or trying to run the gauntlet of back streets you will be picked up by police," said Dr Nahan.

The blitz would begin on December 1 and continue throughout Christmas and the New Year. Police will announce details of a further enforcement campaign shortly.

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