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ABC Issues Nearly 100 Citations at UC Davis Picnic Day Event

ABC Helps Enforce Alcoholic Beverage Laws at Large Event

Davis – California Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) investigators issued 98 citations for various alcohol-related violations on Saturday night, April 16 and Sunday morning, April 17 during the annual UC Davis Picnic Day Festivities in Davis, California.

“We did a lot of planning prior to the event to help limit alcohol-related problems,” said ABC District Administrator Lori Ajax. Ajax attended several meetings with UC Davis and Davis City leaders, and area licensees in an effort to try to limit underage drinking and over service of alcohol to patrons. The meetings were held in the months and weeks prior to UC Davis Picnic Day.

ABC assigned several officers to patrol the community during Picnic Day Festivities and cited or arrested many people for open containers, furnishing alcohol to minors, minors in possession of alcohol and other violations. Below is a breakdown of the citations that were issued by ABC:

98 total citations or arrests

- 3 furnishing alcohol to a minor
- 28 minors in possession
- 58 open containers
- 4 urinating in public
- 2 possession of marijuana
- 1 drunk in public
- 2 possession of controlled substance

ABC funded the operation through a \$356,400 federal grant awarded to the Department by the United States Department of Justice's Office of Justice Programs (OJP).

The Federal grant is called the College Campus Enforcement Program (C-CEP), it is designed to combat alcohol-related problems on or near college campuses throughout California. The award was made through the Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws (EUDL) program, which supports activities in law enforcement, public education programs, and innovative methods for reaching youth.

This grant authorizes enforcement at or near college events where underage drinking is suspected during pledge week, graduation, sporting events, fraternity/sorority parties, and any other college related functions.

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