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**Safety Checkpoint Results**

The Shreveport Police Department's Field Support Bureau (Traffic Unit) conducted a Seatbelt Checkpoint on December 10, 2024, in the 8800 block of Youree Drive. The operation commenced at 1:00 PM and concluded at 7:00 PM.

The primary focus of the checkpoint was to ensure compliance with Louisiana's occupant protection laws. However, the operation addressed a range of traffic violations beyond seatbelt compliance. Throughout the checkpoint, 856 vehicles passed through, resulting in 108 citations for various violations.

Caddo Parish ranks third in the state for fatal crashes, trailing only Orleans and East Baton Rouge Parishes. This statistic underscores the critical importance of such enforcement initiatives.

"We must strive for improvement," said Chief Wayne Smith. "Our goal is to reduce traffic fatalities and injuries by encouraging responsible driving habits and ensuring adherence to traffic laws. NO family should have to suffer the loss of a loved one from a preventable traffic accident"

The Shreveport Police Department thanks the community for its cooperation and remains committed to promoting roadway safety. Efforts like these checkpoints are vital in creating safer streets for all citizens.