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STEP Operations Planned Tomorrow

Burlingame, CA – On Wednesday, January 20, 2016, twenty-two officers from various law enforcement agencies throughout San Mateo County will be participating in the San Mateo County Saturation Traffic Enforcement Program (S.T.E.P.). The STEP program is a collaborative effort to increase traffic safety and awareness in known trouble spots throughout San Mateo County. Tomorrow's deployment will occur in San Bruno and Millbrae from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

The San Mateo County Police Chiefs and Sheriff Association are working together to collectively focus on reducing the number of injuries and traffic accidents throughout San Mateo County. San Bruno and Millbrae residents may notice that there are police officers from throughout San Mateo County enforcing vehicle code violations.

According to San Bruno Police Chief Ed Barberini, "In 2013, San Bruno ranked 5th out of 92 cities of similar size with respect to traffic collisions, and 27th out of those same 92 cities with respect to injury traffic collisions. As such, improving traffic safety in San Bruno remains a top priority of the Police Department."

This is the first deployment in a number of planned multi-agency saturation deployments scheduled to be performed throughout San Mateo County in 2016. The San Mateo County Police Chiefs and Sheriff Association have all committed to this important safety initiative.

Agencies Participating in San Mateo County S.T.E.P:

Belmont PD, San Mateo County Sheriff's Office, California Highway Patrol, Burlingame PD, Daly City PD, East Palo Alto PD, Menlo Park PD, Foster City PD, Pacifica PD, Redwood City PD, San Bruno PD, San Mateo County Public Safety Communications, and South San Francisco PD.