

Canadian Police Considering Name & Shame Program

Drinking and driving arrests are on the rise in Ontario's York region, and its police force is considering naming and shaming the offenders. The names of those charged with impaired driving would be placed on the police website. Currently York police are pulling 10 to 20 drunk drivers off the roads every weekend. Identifying drunk drivers publicly could also deter them from breaching the 90-day licence suspension that goes with an impaired driving conviction. This deterrent is already being used by other Canadian police forces.

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Vocabulary

offender - a person who commits a crime
impaired - intoxicated by alcohol
deter - make them not want to do it or continue doing it
breaching - breaking a law, promise or agreement
conviction - being found guilty of a crime in a court of law

Comprehension Questions

1. What is a police force in Ontario, Canada considering doing?
2. Why is this police force considering this type of deterrent?
3. According to this report, what happens every weekend in York region?

Discussion Questions

1. What's your opinion on drinking alcohol and driving?
2. Do you think banning alcohol is a good thing for society?
3. What is the most sensible minimum legal age for drinking?
4. Do you think that naming and shaming drunk drivers publicly is a good idea? Why or why not?

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