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“PSA – False Identifications”

The Law Enforcement Agencies serving Monongalia County would like to remind everyone of the dangers of using fraudulent identifications, identification cards and underage alcohol abuse. Many underage individuals purchase or attempt to purchase alcoholic beverages while under 21 years of age. This practice could have significant consequences to your health, the health of others, and key privileges.

Under West Virginia Code, §17B-3-12, there is a mandatory suspension of driving privileges for:

1. Display or possession of any fictitious or altered identification.
2. Loaning or giving an identification to another person for any unlawful or fraudulent purpose.
3. Displaying or representing any identification not issued to the person in possession.

Identification cards are considered any permit, identification card, or driver’s license issued by any state.

Law Enforcement will be working in conjunction with the Alcohol Beverage Control Administration and local businesses to identify, seize and charge anyone utilizing fraudulent identifications in order to gain access to any bar, nightclub or venue or for the purpose of purchasing alcoholic beverages while underage.

Your well-being and that of our community is our top priority!