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## **6 of 8 Businesses Fail Alcohol Sting**

**WHEN:** December 21 from 7:00pm to midnight

**WHERE:** Throughout Washoe County

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Washoe County Sheriff's Office conducted a pre-holiday alcohol sales operation on December 21, 2009 between the hours of 7PM and midnight. During this effort, a total of 8 establishments throughout Washoe County were visited by plain clothes deputies and a minor who was able to purchase alcohol at 6 of the businesses. Citations were issued to each of the clerks who sold alcohol to the minor.

Clerks working at Save Mart and Terrible's, both on the corner of Pyramid and La Posada in Spanish Springs, did NOT sell to the minor.

Clerks were cited at the following establishments:

In North Valleys: Winner's Corner, 19575 Hwy 395  
General Store, 9425 Lemmon Drive  
In Spanish Springs: Grampy's, 222 Los Altos Parkway  
The Lake Bar and Grill, 9716 Pyramid Hwy  
In Reno: Knucklehead's, 405 Vine Street  
In Sparks: Food Mart, 2169 Prater Way

The deputies also checked to see if the businesses had properly trained their employees regarding alcohol sales. All were in compliance with training.

Selling alcohol to a minor is a misdemeanor crime punishable by up to 6 month in jail and/or a \$1000 fine. The citation for this violation is \$635. It is the desire of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office to curb the availability of alcohol to minors and reduce alcohol related incidents and deaths this holiday season.