PRETRIAL DIVERSION PROGRAM FOR DUI'S (Orange County)

Pretrial Diversion (PTD) is a deferred prosecution program offered by the Office of the State Attorney and supervised by Orange County Community Corrections. Successful completion of the Pretrial Diversion program will result in the dismissal of the case by the Office of the State Attorney. This is an excellent opportunity to avoid criminal prosecution and conviction. However, not everyone qualifies for this program .

Program Eligibility:

- 1. No prior alcohol-related driving offenses, regardless of disposition.
- 2. No prior sentence, conviction or dismissal for a similar charge. (i.e. possession of alcohol by minor)
- No more than one prior misdemeanor sentence for a dissimilar offense.
- 4. No prior deferred prosecution/diversion programs.
- 5. No prior juvenile programs.
- 6. No prior felony sentences.
- 7. Legal residence in the United States.
- 8. <u>Approval by the Office of the State Attorney</u>. (broad discretion)

Program Costs:

	DUI-I (BAC<.15)	DUI-II (BAC <u>></u> .15)
Program Length	12 months	15 months
Program Cost	\$600	\$750
Phone Reporting	\$6-7/month	\$6-7/month
State Attorney Fee	\$50	\$50
DUI Level I School	\$274	\$274
Monetary Contribution	500	\$1,000
Victim Impact Class	\$45	\$45
10-Day Impoundment/	\$150 or >	N/A
Immobilization		
6-Month Ignition Interlock	N/A	\$575

Additional Conditions May Include:

Additional costs for classes/evaluations, Additional community service hours, Advanced Driver Improvement class, Law Enforcement Investigation Costs at time of arrest, Random observed urine screens.

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PENALTIES UPON ADJUDICATION OF GUILT

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Fines			
1st DUI 1st DUI (aggravated) or 2nd DUI 2nd DUI (aggravated)	\$500-\$1,000 \$1,000-\$2,000 \$2,000-\$4,000		
Jail Time			
1st DUI 1st DUI (aggravated) or 2nd DUI 2nd DUI (aggravated)	Up to 6 months Up to 9 months Up to 1 year		
Driver's License Suspension			
1st DUI 2nd DUI within 5 years 3rd DUI within 10 years	6 months minimum 5 years minimum 10 years minimum		
Probation			
DUI/Aggravated DUI	1 year		
Ignition Interlock Device			
1st DUI 1st DUI (aggravated) 2nd DUI	if court ordered 6 months minimum 1 year minimum		
2nd DUI (aggravated)	2 years minimum		

<u>D.U.I.</u>—Driving or <u>in actual physical control</u> of a vehicle (it can be a parked car) under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance with either your normal faculties impaired or your breath or blood alcohol level above .08.

Aggravated D.U.I.—Driving under the influence with breath or blood alcohol level above .15, or the presence of a minor in the vehicle.

Note: A Judge <u>cannot</u> withhold adjudication in DUI cases

HIDDEN COSTS (APPROXIMATE)			
Towing (Plus additional fees for every 24 hours in storage)	\$125		
Attorney's Fees (private attorney) (Does not include court costs, i.e. court reporter, subpoenas, etc.)	\$1,500 <i>minimum</i>		
Bail	\$150 minimum		
DUI Class (1st offense) (\$395 for subsequent offense)	\$255		
Hardship License 1st suspension by DHSMV 2nd suspension by judge (if adjudicated guilty)	\$223 \$223		
Interlock Device (per vehicle owned/co-owned)	\$170 + (\$67.50 per month)		
Vehicle Impound Fee (for 10 days) (per vehicle owned)	\$150		
Insurance Hikes (Triple or quadruple premium costs) (Minimum liability coverage of \$100,000/p. \$300,000/accident, \$50,000 property dama (FR-44 certificate required for 3 years)			
Substance Abuse Evaluation/Treatment (Depends on result of evaluation and recommended treatment)	Varies		
Community service	50 hours		
State Attorney Fee/Costs	\$500		
Probation Supervision Fees	\$50 (per month)		
Intake	\$20		

\$17

Drug Tests

ADDITIONAL HIDDEN COSTS

Transportation—With a suspended license, you will either need to utilize some form of public transportation or have a friend drive you to and from work, school, etc. This reliance on others for transportation is now an expense.

Diminished Job Opportunity/Graduate

School—Having a misdemeanor or felony on your record could determine whether or not you get a job or admitted into graduate school. Even internships can be denied if you have a misdemeanor or felony.

Student Conduct Violation— A student who is charged with a DUI is subject to disciplinary action under university rules.

In addition to a **minimum** of around **\$4,000** actual cost, a single DUI can cost you:

- Jail Time
- Probation
- Community Service
- Loss of Job
- Suspension From School
- Loss of Driving Privileges
- Diminished Job/Graduate School Opportunities