Speech 3 Persuasive Speech Claim Proposal and Pre-Plan

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**CLAIM STATEMENT**

Police should be allowed to set up roadblocks to isolate and arrest impaired drivers to prevent deaths that may be caused by impaired driving and minimize certain criminal activities.

**ATTENTION**

An incidence whereby a teenage driver is impaired with alcohol and is not able to operate a car in safety ways is one of the main reasons why police should be allowed to use roadblocks. In this case, the teenager may try to escape from the hands of the police if there is no roadblock. The teenager may also cause harm to himself and other citizens if he escapes.

**NEED**

There is a problem of increased cases of road accidents due to impaired driving in America. Approximately 30 individuals die daily in accidents caused by impaired driving in America (United States Department of Transport, 2020). In most cases, the impaired driver ends up escaping from the hands of the police for fear of being charged.

**OPPOSING POSITIONS**

Allowing police to use roadblocks while arresting the impaired drivers is going against the Fourth Amendment that protects citizens from unreasonable search (Langham, 2019). Some of the police officers will end up misusing their power. The police have no specialized skills of using roadblocks like the law enforcement bureau who are the only ones that are allowed to use roadblocks. The opposing statements can be overturned. For instance; the fourth amendment has exceptions under which individuals can be searched. The police will be trained to use the roadblocks and there will be policies set to prevent misuse of power.

**SOLUTION**

Police should be trained on how to use roadblocks and be allowed to use them. The police officers should also be given a guideline on when and how to use the roadblocks. The police officers can be trained on a two-week session and this will not require a lot of resources.

BENEFITS/VISUALIZATION

Statistics indicate that 30 individuals die daily in America due to accidents caused by impaired driving (United States Department of Transport, 2020). The number is expected to increase in the near future. Allowing police to use roadblocks will help to minimize such cases. The rates of criminal activities involving the use of illegal drugs will also be reduced.

**ACTION**

The best action is calling the police that is among the audience to undergo a two-week training program on how to effectively use a roadblock and enforce laws that allow police to use the roadblocks while arresting impaired drivers (Langham, 2019).

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