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SAFE in Northern Michigan congratulates local businesses for passing alcohol compliance checks

In a recent round of alcohol compliance checks, 14 local businesses successfully upheld the law banning the sale of alcohol to anyone under 21 years of age. SAFE in Northern Michigan, a partner of the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, collaborated with the Michigan State Police to complete these alcohol compliance checks in Antrim, Charlevoix, and Emmet counties.

SAFE in Northern Michigan would like to congratulate the following stores for passing the checks and protecting our youth:

Bay Shore Food Mkt.	Petoskey, MI	Rite-Aid #2504	East Jordan, MI
North Krist Oil Co. #41	Charlevoix, MI	Boyne Marathon	Boyne City, MI
South EZ-Mart	Charlevoix, MI	Dollar General	Alanson, MI
Next Door Store #1034	Charlevoix, MI	Young's Bait and Tackle	Alanson, MI
South Krist Oil Co. #42	Charlevoix, MI	Harbor General Store	Harbor Springs, MI
Ellsworth Market	Ellsworth, MI	Aldie #14	Petoskey, MI
Dollar General #13464	East Jordan, MI	Boyne Village Market	Boyne Falls, MI

Compliance checks are conducted periodically to enforce the prohibition of the sale of alcohol to minors. In each round of checks, a number of alcohol-selling businesses are randomly selected and tested. To conduct the check, an underage youth under supervision of a police officer will enter a store and attempt to buy alcohol. If the store clerk sells the alcohol to the minor, the police will immediately issue a citation.

“We are very pleased with the stores that carded the youth decoy and did not sell any alcohol,” said Susan Pulaski, Project Coordinator for SAFE. “Alcohol compliance checks are just one strategy to help reduce under-age drinking.”

SAFE in Northern Michigan exists to prevent youth substance use, increase community awareness and create change through collaboration, education, prevention initiatives and environmental strategies of tobacco, alcohol and other substance use in Antrim, Charlevoix and Emmet counties. For more information about SAFE in Northern Michigan, please visit the website: www.safeinm.com.

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is mandated by the Michigan Public Health Code to promote wellness, prevent disease, provide quality healthcare, address health problems of vulnerable populations, and protect the environment for the residents and visitors of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego counties.

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