

## Driving While Intoxicated

NMCDLA believes that:

- DWI offenses should be handled justly and humanely.
- Alcoholism and drug addiction is an illness which is better addressed through treatment rather than long-term incarceration.

NMCDLA supports:

- Changes in the laws that will allow drivers who are under the influence to seek shelter in the vehicle without facing prosecution so long as they avoid the risks involved in actually driving.
- A combination of ignition interlocks, restricted driving privileges and access to meaningful community-based substance abuse counseling.

NMCDLA opposes:

- Mandatory jail time and unreasonable fines which can devastate an individual or a family based on a single mistake.

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