

**NEWS RELEASE**

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National Night Out helps make The Woodlands Township neighborhoods safer

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS (September 6, 2022) – The Woodlands Township encourages residents to join together against crime and drugs during National Night Out on Sunday, October 2, 2022, from 3 to 6 p.m. When neighborhoods participate in National Night Out, it accomplishes one of the first steps in crime prevention: “neighbor knowing neighbor.”

National Night Out Parties

Hosting a National Night Out party is a great way to bring neighbors together. Residents are asked to lock their doors and go outside and gather with their neighbors for a social gathering as simple or elaborate as they choose. To register a National Night Out party, please complete the registration form at www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/nationalnightout. A National Night Out promotional video, party guide and list of Frequently Asked Questions can be found on the website.

National Night Out Packet Pick-Up Day

The Woodlands Township Neighborhood Watch can provide National Night Out party supplies during the National Night Out Packet Pick-Up Day. Available supplies may include balloons, giveaways, yard signs, party ideas and more. Please pick up supplies on Thursday, September 22, 2022, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at The Woodlands Township, located at 2801 Technology Forest Blvd. Pre-registration is required.

National Night Out offers many opportunities for neighborhood camaraderie, including a theme party contest, sidewalk chalk art competition, selfie with a cop photo contest, food drive in partnership with Interfaith of The Woodlands, I.D. the Burglar village challenge and the National Night Out Military Drive.

Community Safety Expo

The Community Safety Expo is a day of food, fun and public safety demonstrations for the entire community. Residents can meet public safety personnel, see equipment, enter mobile command units of the Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office and Homeland Security, watch live law enforcement K-9 and Drone demonstrations and more at this free event. Children can enjoy face painting, a bounce house and crafts. The Community Safety Expo will be held Saturday, October 15, 2022, from noon to 3 p.m. at Northshore Park, located at 2505 Lake Woodlands Drive.



Food Drive in partnership with Interfaith of The Woodlands

Nonperishable food items collected at National Night Out parties can be dropped off directly at Interfaith, 4242 Interfaith Way, October 3 - 7, 2022, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please make sure to mention National Night Out when giving donations to Interfaith. Together, residents can make a difference to alleviate hunger in South Montgomery County.

I.D. the Burglar Village Challenge

The I.D. the Burglar Village Challenge is a fun contest designed to promote neighborhood cooperation and crime prevention awareness, and to test a person's skill and accuracy in identifying a suspect. One party from each village will be drawn from the parties registered to participate in the challenge. A "burglar," along with a "good guy" will be escorted by a Montgomery County Sheriff's Office deputy to the party chosen from each village. The neighborhood must work together as a team to help identify the burglar.

National Night Out Military Drive

Support the military by collecting items at National Night Out neighborhood parties. A full list of items needed is available in the party guide at www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/nationalnightout. Donated items will be collected at The Woodlands Township Town Hall located at 2801 Technology Forest Blvd., October 3 - 7, 2022, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Selfie with a Cop Photo Contest

Snap a selfie with a cop during your National Night Out neighborhood party. Post your selfie on Facebook and/or Instagram with hashtag #NationalNightOutTheWoodlands on Sunday, October 2, 2022, by 11:59 p.m. Check back on The Woodlands Township Neighborhood Watch Facebook page on Monday, October 3, 2022, to see if you won. There will be two winners!

Since 1990, The Woodlands Township Neighborhood Watch has brought residents and the public safety agencies that serve The Woodlands Township together under positive circumstances. National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make neighborhoods safer.

For more information about National Night Out, please contact The Woodlands Township Neighborhood Services Department at 281-210-3800 or visit www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/nationalnightout. Also, please like and follow The Woodlands Township Neighborhood Watch on Facebook at www.facebook.com/townshipneighborhoodwatch.



Join The Woodlands Township Neighborhood Watch in celebrating National Night Out on Sunday, October 2, 2022, from 3 to 6 p.m. Plan a National Night Out party with a theme of your choosing and you might be a winner like the 2021 National Night Out First Place Theme Party Winner, Venetia Grove of Creekside Park.