



City leaders ready for 'National Night Out' festivities

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City leaders, along with police and fire personnel, will travel by bus to neighborhoods throughout Dayton on the evening of Tuesday, August 1, to help residents celebrate another successful National Night Out. The annual event is intended to build community while boosting crime prevention awareness and participation in anti-crime activities.

This is the 34th year for National Night Out, which is celebrated the first Tuesday in August. More than 38 million people in 16,500 communities in all 50 states, U.S. territories and military bases worldwide, and Canada took part in National Night Out 2016.

Many people associate National Night Out with leaving on a porch light, but celebrations have grown over the years to include a variety of activities such as block parties, cookouts, and other community events allowing citizens, law enforcement and local government leaders to interact. Residents, law enforcement and city leaders come together to form partnerships and send a message to criminals that neighborhoods are prepared to fight crime.

The Dayton Police Department will lead the National Night Out caravan, which will leave City Hall at 4:45 p.m. and make stops at six celebrations:

- 4:50 p.m. - Oregon District - Newcom/Founders Park
- 5:21 p.m. - 10 Wilmington Place - The Sanctuary
- 6:00 p.m. - Dayton Veterans Administration - plaza on Kentucky Avenue
- 6:30 p.m. - Residence Park - West Second Street at Elmhurst Road
- 7:07 p.m. - Fairview - Fairview Elementary School
- 7:47 p.m. - Old North Dayton - Stuart-Patterson Park, 400 Block of Leo Street.

