Another Great Year for NNO!

Citizens, law enforcement agencies, community groups, businesses, youth organizations and local, state and federal officials from 16,940 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories and military bases worldwide joined forces to celebrate the 36th Annual National Night Out (NNO) – a community crime prevention and safety event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) in partnership with Ring, AT&T, Academy Sports + Outdoors, Associa, A&W Root Beer and Renewal by Andersen.

Nationally, an estimated 38.9 million people participated in NNO 2019.

“NNO 2019 was quite simply amazing,” said Matt Peskin, creator of NNO and National Project Coordinator. “Most organizers began their work early in the year and produced a powerful campaign in their communities. Their dedication and creativity is what makes National Night Out magic.”

He added, “Hats off to our corporate partners who help to bring this vitally important campaign to cities across America every year.”

Throughout the nation, along with the traditional ‘lights on’ and front porch vigils, there were tens of thousands of block parties, cookouts, parades, potlucks, ice cream socials, neighborhood visits by local police, flashlight walks, safety fairs, poster contests, festivals and other unique events and activities.

Sheriff Richard D. Wiles of El Paso County, TX, said “National Night Out is a yearly event that is part of our community policing model. It brings citizens and law enforcement together so that we can build trust and relationships that help keep our community safe.” He added, “The various activities, information, presentations and demonstrations offered during NNO help show how we can all work together for a safer community.”

Crime Prevention Officer Myron Travis of the Mukilteo (WA) Police Department said, “Each year, the community becomes more educated and more committed to resisting criminal activity and how to resist becoming a victim of crime.” Through education and interaction, it is clear that National Night Out is the symbol of police-community partnerships that keep our residents alert and re-energizes them to being dedicated to doing their part to help keep the City of Mukilteo a fun and safe place to live.

Officer Zach Ractliffe, Falls City

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Neighborhood spirit everywhere in Modesto, CA, during NNO each year.

DJ Boom Bandit and the Rave Rocket dazzled the crowd at NNO in Chino Valley, AZ.

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(NE) Police Department: “In the weeks following NNO, I was approached by a multitude of people that I had never met before praising the police department for hosting such an important community policing event.” I think the pictures (in our binder) are worth more than any words I can put on paper and I hope the photos bring a smile to your faces like they do mine. A ton of time and work goes into our NNO event but seeing families coming out to have a positive interaction with local first responders and law enforcement makes it worth every second.

Kimberly Czapar, Brooklyn Park (MN) Police Department: “National Night Out is an important annual event in our community and our participation started back in 1991 – 28 years ago!” The benefits it brings to our community are countless and so many residents and city staff look forward to this event each year. Our community is strong and NNO is, and will continue to be, a steadfast tradition in our city!

David Spigelmyer, University of Texas at Dallas Police Department: “Inside our post-project report, we will show our NNO spirit and our love for each other, our university and our community.” We prepared and delivered our best NNO block party ever as we spread the word, the message, the raging fever of NNO that infects us all. We are all carrier of the NNO bug! Let us share our burning desire of NNO with you! Please remember that one you catch the NNO fever, there is no turning back. There is no cure. There is only one thing you can do. Get involved and let’s rock this night!

Chief John Berger, Ligonier Valley (PA) Police Department: “Anytime you can have officers interact with children and the rest of the community, especially in today’s world, it helps build trust.” It helps us to get to know each other better so that the community is more inclined to walk up to any of the officers. I think getting over 500 people to attend our first National Night Out, as well all the positive feedback on social media after the event, made our first NNO a huge success.

NATW 2019 AWARD WINNERS

MINNEAPOLIS was selected as the top-ranked Category 1 area and received the National Night Out 2019 Cup. San Antonio was second, Arlington, TX was third and Seattle was fourth.

THE WOODLANDS, TX won the Cup in Category 2. Gloucester Township, NJ, won in Category 3 and Miami Township, OH, captured Category 4. St. Francis, WI, took Category 5 and La Vernia, TX, finished first in Category 6.

TEXAS was the awarded the “National Night Out 2019 State Cup.”

The complete list of NNO 2019 Award Winners begins on Page 3 of this issue and is also posted on the Awards page on our website at natw.org.

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The “37th Annual National Night Out” will culminate on August 4, 2019. (The Texas/October date will be October 6th.)

All 2019 registered coordinators will receive the official NNO 2019 registration information via USPS in mid-February.

Website registration (much preferred) for NNO 2019 is scheduled to open on February 1st.

All NNO coordinators are encouraged to please invite cities and towns that were not involved in 2019 to contact NATW now or visit the website.

Also, we noticed that there are a few communities that participate in National Night Out but that do not register with NATW. Due to federal trademark regulations, all cities and towns that participate in NNO must register with us every year in order to use the NNO name or marks.

Anyone with any questions can email them to info@natw.org or call us at 1-800-648-3688.
Category 1
300,000+ Population
1. Minneapolis, MN
2. San Antonio, TX
3. Arlington, TX
4. Seattle, WA
5. Los Angeles County, CA
6. Columbus, OH
7. Chesterfield County, VA
8. St. Paul, MN
9. Stockton, CA
10. Louisville Metro / Jefferson County, KY
11. Collin County, TX
12. Morris County, NJ
13. El Paso County, TX

Category 2
100,000 - 300,000 Population
1. The Woodlands, TX
2. Orlando, FL
3. Rochester, MN
4. Modesto, CA
5. Topeka, KS
6. Kent, WA
7. Ontario, CA
8. Richardson, TX
9. West Valley City, UT
10. Hanover County, VA
11. McKinney, TX
12. Plano, TX
13. Stafford County, VA
14. Charles County, MD
15. Waco, TX
16. Grand Prairie, TX
17. Cook County, IL
18. Fremont, CA
19. Santa Clara, CA
20. Corona, CA
21. Peoria, AZ
22. Travis County Precinct 5, TX
23. Greeley, CO

Category 3
50,000 - 100,000 Population
1. Gloucester Township, NJ
2. Maple Grove, MN
3. Carson City, NV
4. Margate, FL
5. Suffolk, VA
6. Brooklyn Park, MN
7. Hattiesburg, MS
8. Jacksonville, NC
9. Portsmouth, VA
10. Arlington Heights, IL
11. Goldsboro / Wayne County, NC

Category 4
15,000 - 50,000 Population
1. Miami Township, OH
2. Sanford, NC
3. New Brighton, MN
4. Coppell, TX
5. South Elgin, IL
6. Bartlett, IL
7. Walla Walla, WA
8. Munster, IN
9. Carteret, NJ
10. Salisbury, MD
11. South Brunswick, NJ
12. Auburn Hills, MI
13. West Hollywood, CA
14. Oak Creek, WI
15. Urbandale, IA
16. San Gabriel, CA
17. Upper Merion Township, PA
18. Rolling Meadows, IL
19. Mill Creek, WA
20. Midlothian, TX
21. Hutto, TX
22. Grayson County, VA
23. Muskegon, MI
24. Oakdale, CA
25. Redmond, OR
26. Taylor, TX
27. Canon City, CO
28. Lebanon, OR
29. Crowley, TX
30. Happy Valley, OR
31. Lexington, SC
32. Cedar Hill, TX
33. Spring Township, PA
34. Hamilton Township, NJ
35. Alsip, IL
36. Mundelein, IL
37. Muskogee, OK
38. Laurel, MS
39. Boerne, TX
40. Mukilteo, WA
41. Syracuse, UT
42. Mountlake Terrace, WA
43. Warren County, MS
44. Plainfield, IL
45. Biddeford, ME

Category 5
5,000 - 15,000 Population
1. St. Francis, WI
2. Placerville, CA
3. Fife, WA
4. Live Oak, TX
5. Siler City, NC
6. Butler, NJ
7. La Grange Park, IL
8. Galax, VA
9. Lumberton, NJ
10. Pine Hill, NJ
11. Chino Valley, AZ
12. Lehigh Township, PA
13. Farmville, VA
14. Rusk, TX
15. Williamsburg, VA
16. Oak Brook, IL
17. Bulverde, TX
18. Bellmead, TX
19. Dublin, GA
20. Signal Hill, CA
21. District Heights, MD
22. Hewitt, TX
23. Lilburn, GA
24. Frederick, CO
25. Monroe County, WI
26. Conover, NC
27. Warrenville, IL
28. Florence, OR
29. Fort Morgan, CO

They were rockin and rollin at National Night Out at the University of Texas at Arlington.
**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2019 Award Winners**

**Category 6**
*less than 5,000*

1. La Vernia, TX  
2. Moscow Borough, PA  
3. Alhambra Valley, CA  
4. Falls City, NE  
5. Ada, MN  
6. Castle Hills, TX  
7. Dutton, AL  
8. Brielle, NJ  
9. Crewe, VA  
10. Oregon, IL  
11. Springdale, SC  
12. Trimont, MN

**Category 7**
*Military*

(alphabetical by state)  
ARMY  
Fort Jackson, SC  
Fort Hood, TX  
AIR FORCE  
Barksdale AFB, LA  
MARINES  
Marine Corps Base Hawaii

**Category 8**
*Electric Utilities*

Consumers Energy  
Grand Rapids, MI

**Category 9**
*State*

State of Texas

**Category 10**
*Neighborhood/Community*

(alphabetical by state)  
Step Up And Do Something  
San Jose, CA  
Hickam Communities  
Honolulu, HI  
Schofield Barracks  
Honolulu, HI  
Housing Works of Central Oregon  
Hemlock Farms  
Northeastern, PA  
South Philadelphia Snyder Plaza  
Fort Hood Family Housing  
Fort Hood, TX  
Near Northwest Management  
District Houston, TX

**Category 11**
*Colleges / Universities*

(alphabetical by state)  
University of Texas at Arlington  
University of Texas at Dallas  
Texas A&M University College Station, TX  
University of Texas at San Antonio

**Category 12**
*Rookie of the Year*

(alphabetical by state)  
Erie, CO  
Holly Hill, FL

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Look at these two handsome dudes with their shades on at NNO in Fife, WA.

"Like"  
National Night Out  
on facebook  
http://www.facebook.com/NationalNightOut
The youngsters in Erie, CO, put were strong competitors in this year's potato sack race.

Hutto, TX, produced this unique graphic to help promote National Night Out 2019.

It was a classic Police vs Fire tug-of-war in Ligonier Valley, PA.

Seattle Police brought out the Fife and Drum Corps for NNO 2019.

A beautiful entrance way at NNO 2019 in Lexington, SC.
The youngsters had an amazing time at NNO in Rusk, TX.

Lower Merion Township Police (PA) Officer Tammaro enjoys one of the special donuts produced by Dunkin for NNO 2019.

A sign of the times during National Night Out in Modesto, CA.

Residents of all ages enjoyed the festivities at NNO 2019 in Lower Merion Township, PA.

Another amazing year for NNO in El Paso County, TX.
What a finale at National Night Out in Gloucester Township, NJ.

Firefighting 101 at National Night Out in Fife, WA.

Residents of all ages turned again this year for NNO in Bartlett, IL.

You can always count on Modesto, CA for a great National Night Out event.

Nat the Knight was all over Jacksonville during NNO 2019.

Another great year for NNO in Arlington, TX.
New to NNO this year, Academy Sports + Outdoors appeared at many events throughout the Southeast where give-aways included bike helmets and other goodies.

A Ring doorbell was a prize this year at Modesto, CA, National Night Out.

Citizens and police from throughout the region gathered at the Philadelphia Museum of Art to help kickoff the 36th Annual National Night Out.

Officers from the Lower Merion Township Police Department chat with residents during this NNO event in Wynnewood, PA.

This picture is worth a thousand words courtesy of Seattle, WA.

An incredible night at Jim Hansen Park in South Elgin, IL.

The first official NNO Tug-of-War in DeRidder, LA.

Teaching students how to extinguish a dorm room fire during NNO at the University of Texas at Arlington.

Events reached new heights at NNO in Bartlett, IL.
National Morning Out for Seniors at NNO in The Woodlands, TX.

Village President Kevin Wallace and Nat the Knight proclaim August 6th as National Night Out in Bartlett, IL.

It was all about the children at National Night Out in Orland Park, IL.

The young ones had a ball at NNO in Suffolk, VA.

National Morning Out for Seniors at NNO in The Woodlands, TX.

Officers grab a ride at National Night Out in Signal Hill, CA.
Another packed house at NNO at University of Texas at Arlington.

There was a Bartlett Family NNO Golf Event this year in Bartlett, IL.

Ontario officials and Nat the Knight get the party started at NNO 2019 in Ontario, CA.

The front gate at NNO 2019 in DeRidder, LA.

The Gloucester Township team joined police departments across the region to kickoff NNO at the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

Dog Walker Watch (DWW), a crime awareness program created by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) last year, is growing rapidly across the country. There are over 75 million dog walkers throughout the USA. DWW training classes, conducted by local law enforcement, teach citizens how to become more effective observers and reporters of suspicious activity.

If your community has not registered yet, please visit natw.org/dog. Ideally, you want your local police or sheriff’s department to register as they will be doing the training. A training presentation is available for local law enforcement agencies.
Suffolk, VA, always puts on one of the best NNO campaigns in the nation.