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East Hartford Police Department Invites You to the National Night Out

East Hartford, CT—The Town of East Hartford will join communities nationwide for “America’s Night Out Against Crime.” This free event will take place on Tuesday, August 6, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the **East Hartford Public Safety Complex**, located at 31 School Street.

"The National Night Out event is instrumental in bringing the community together under positive circumstances and fostering pride and appreciation of the wonderful town we live in," said Mayor Marcia Leclerc.

East Hartford Police Chief Scott Sansom and the East Hartford Police Department are proud to announce that neighborhoods throughout East Hartford are invited to join forces with over 38.5 million people in more than 16,500 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases around the world for the “**National Night Out**” crime prevention event.

The purpose of the event is to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime efforts, strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships, and send a message that neighborhoods are fighting back any crime. Every year, National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.

As part of the event, **from 5 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, August 6**, residents throughout East Hartford and across the nation are invited to spend the evening outside with neighbors and police. This ‘town wide block party’ will take place at the East Hartford Public Safety Complex, 31 School Street, East Hartford, and will include displays and presentations from the East Hartford Police Department, East Hartford Fire Department, East Hartford Youth Services, American Red Cross, and so much more. Between police K-9 demonstrations and equipment presentations, bounce house and dunk tank, giveaways and music, photo booths and face painting- there will be something for everyone, children and adults alike. A visit from McGruff the Crime Dog is also guaranteed.

“National Night Out’ is another great opportunity to bring police and the community we protect and serve together under positive circumstances,” said Chief Sansom. “It brings back a true sense of community, and it is fun for the whole family. Everyone is welcome.”

For more information call the East Hartford Police Department at 860-528-4401.