



National Night Out

August 2, 2016, 5-8 pm



“Unity In Our Community!”

Greetings!

Yes! It’s that time of the year again for National Night Out (NNO) which is held each year on the first Tuesday in August by the Rockville Community Alliance, (RCA) and the Vernon Police Dept. This year it is on August 2, from 5-8 pm in the center of Rockville in front of Vernon's Town Hall. (*14 Park Place for GPS!*)

Due to the national attention on the sometimes strained relationships between the communities and law enforcement, the RCA is holding a special ceremony: **Unity in Our Community** to draw attention to those HEROES THAT KEEP US SAFE and the EVERYDAY HEROES in our community.

At our special ceremony at 6:00 pm we will all gather around the flagpole in Rockville’s Central Park and hear remarks from various speakers, political leaders, and the clergy. With all the recent issues with racism, terrorism and most recently the abuse and misuse of the rule of law and law enforcement, this event can be an important moment in time to show the "**Unity in our Community**" for all to witness!

“National Night Out” is THE premier event in Greater Rockville where over 1,500 people are brought together at one time to allow the community to gather in a healthy, safe manner in the hope of improving neighborhood relationships. Most area social service agencies, churches, service-oriented businesses and volunteer groups have found this one of the best times to focus their outreach efforts to interact with the community members whom they serve in a very comfortable, non-threatening, casual manner.

The NNO Mission statement states: *National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, better places to live.*

Guests include:

U.S. Representative -Joseph Courtney
State Senator Tony Guglielmo
State Representative Claire Janowski
State Representative Tim Ackert
Vernon Mayor - Daniel Champagne
Vernon Police Chief - James Kenny

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Emergency Services Director/Vernon Public Schools - Michael Purcaro
CERT Team Commander - Brian Gay
Vernon Fire Dept. - Capt. Luis Muniz
Rockville Community Alliance - President, Benjamin Klimczak
Vernon Community Network - President, TeriLynn Rogers
"Believe 208" - Trish Buchanan
Vernon Youth Services Bureau- Oz Ramos
Business Owner - Sam Flint
Rev. Flick Grezel
Rev. Eric Osterday
Rev. Wayne Hansen
Rev. Kevin MacDonald

<http://rockvillecommunityalliance.org/about-the-rca/events/national-night-out/>

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