## Press Release



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City of Ontario Police Department

## **ONTARIO'S 2017 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT EVENT**

Ontario's Mayor and City Council would like to invite members of the community to attend this year's National Night Out event on Tuesday, August 1, 2017.

"Ontario's award winning National Night Out provides the community a chance to join together and the rest of the nation to build a healthier and safer community," said Mayor Paul S. Leon.

The festivities will begin with the *Party in the Park* at 5 PM at the Dorothy A. Quesada Community Center located at 1010 S. Bon View Avenue in Ontario. The *Party in the Park* event is open to the public and will have entertainment, food, children's games, and public safety and community service booths, including information on participating in Ontario's Neighborhood Watch program.

Mayor pro Tem Alan D. Wapner said, "This event fosters the relationship that our law enforcement personnel has with the residents and businesses that call Ontario home while creating a sense of community throughout the City."

Neighborhoods throughout Ontario will also be hosting their own block parties to celebrate their unity, police-community partnerships, crime prevention awareness, and community involvement. Participants will have the opportunity to meet and interact with Ontario's Mayor and City Council, representatives from regional agencies, including American Medical Response, the California Army National Guard, the California Highway Patrol, the Inland Valley Humane Society, and various City agencies including the Ontario Police and Fire Departments.

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"The City of Ontario thrives with many community partners that make our communities safer and a better place to live, work, play and visit. Thank you to all of the participants that help run this event," said Council Member Jim W. Bowman.

Ontario residents and businesses will join over 38 million people across the nation in this year's 34th Annual National Night Out sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch. According to Council Member Debra Dorst-Porada, "This is a night for Ontario to stand together to promote safety and neighborhood unity." Ontario has consistently ranked among the most active communities for National Night Out participation.

Council Member Ruben Valencia said, "We would like to thank the following sponsors that invest in our community and that helped fund this event." Ontario's 2017 National Night Out event sponsors include:

- Best Best & Krieger, LLP
- Chick-fil-A Ontario Mills Parkway
- Citizens Business Bank Arena
- John Elway's Crown Toyota

- Law Enforcement of Ontario
- Ontario Convention Center
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For additional information, please contact your Neighborhood Watch Block Captain or the Ontario Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit at crimeprevention@ontariopolice.org or at (909) 395-2939.

## **About the City of Ontario**

The City of Ontario is *Building A Better Tomorrow* with urban lifestyle districts that create sustainable places to live, work and play. Located just 35 miles east of downtown Los Angeles, the City of Ontario is ideally situated as Southern California's gateway. With three major interstates, two railroads and the Ontario International Airport, Ontario offers direct access from Los Angeles to the rest of California, and to North America. With approximately 170,000 residents and residential development on the rise, Ontario looks to double its population in the next 20 years, making it one of the 100 most populated Cities in the nation. Complementing its business and residential core, Ontario dazzles with its amenities such as the Ontario Convention Center, Citizens Business Bank Arena, and the Ontario Mills Mall. To learn more about the City of Ontario, visit www.ontarioca.gov or call (909) 395-2000.

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