

COVID Can't Stop National Night Out

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ST. MARY'S COUNTY, Md. - National Night Out is yearly event designed as an opportunity for people to meet and get to know their local law enforcement officers as well as their neighbors. The idea being that neighbors who invest time and care into each other make a safer and more informed neighborhood.

For 37 years, it's been held on the first Tuesday in August. Unfortunately, this year the the threat of COVID-19 pushed the event to the first Tuesday In October.

Last year, sheriff's deputies, Maryland State Police, elected officials, volunteer fire departments and rescue squads and other community representatives fanned out across St. Mary's County to visit more than 20 locations.

While there weren't quite the number of events seen in years past this year, St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office personnel were able to spend time with citizens in several communities throughout the county.

K-9 Dyno and handler Cpl. Brandon Foor took some time to meet the four-legged officer's fans.

Cpl. Shaun Carberry played a socially-distanced game of catch with a young resident.

The St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office said it looked forward to seeing everyone next year under more normal circumstances.

The Charles County Sheriff's Office asked residents to turn on their porch lights from 6 to 9 pm to show their support for the event. "Since we are unable to celebrate this event together, let's all turn on our porch lights to show our support for a great event that has been bringing our communities together for more than 30 years."

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