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**TO: HONORABLE MAYOR  
AND CITY COUNCIL**

**FROM: Debra Figone**

**SUBJECT: National Night Out 2013**

**DATE: August 5, 2013**

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## INFORMATION

Tomorrow night, August 6, is the annual "National Night Out" in San José. Throughout our community, neighborhoods are holding block parties, picnics, barbeques, movies and similar events in driveways, streets and parks that serve to strengthen neighborhoods and enhance their safety through active community engagement.

National Night Out takes place in communities across the nation, and has been sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch for thirty years. San José has long participated in National Night Out activities that encourage residents to become better acquainted with their neighbors, and San José Councilmembers have been active supporters along with City employees from our Police, Fire, PRNS, and other departments. Our common goal is to boost neighborhood spirit, support for grassroots anti-crime efforts, and build awareness of crime prevention in partnership with our police and community organizations.

PRNS has strongly supported the efforts of the neighborhood groups to coordinate these events by sponsoring park use permit fees as well as providing additional site preparation, restroom maintenance and staffing. San José parks will be host to 15 neighborhood events this year, with several new sites added in 2013. In addition, many other neighborhoods will be holding events such as potlucks, ice cream socials, and other informal activities, with many in partnership with Council offices.

I will be joining Acting Chief Larry Esquivel to visit several events tomorrow night. I hope you all have an enjoyable and successful National Night Out.



Debra Figone  
City Manager