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Special Recognition National Night Out Against Crime

The Munster Police Department and Choice Community Council of Munster held Munster's 24th Annual National Night Out Against Crime Celebration on Tuesday, August 6, 2019 at the Munster Community Pool. This annual event is held to promote safety as well as police and community partnerships through a variety of activities for all ages. Activities included free swimming for Munster residents, kids' games and prizes, bounce houses, emergency vehicle displays, an appearance by former White Sox player Ron Kittle, a magic show, train rides, student performances, music, food, a Community Parade, over 120 booth participants, Munster's Community Market, and an awesome closing firework show.

In addition, the Munster Police Department also added several days of pre-events from August 1st through 4th which included Safety Bingo for senior citizens, a canned food drive for a local food pantry, a child safety seat inspection event, and a Charity Softball Game that raised money for the Munster High School Best Buddies and included players from the Munster Police Department, Munster Fire Department, and Munster schools. The 2019 event involved the highest number of attendees, booth participants, and sponsors ever and has become an extremely positive and memorable event for our community each year.

Over 12,000 communities throughout the United States participated in the National Night Out Against Crime in 2019, and this past December the Munster Police Department was notified that Munster's event had been ranked as the 8th best National Night Out Against Crime event in the United States in the 15,000-50,000 population category and that Munster was the only Indiana community to be nationally ranked by the National Association of Town Watch.

The Munster Police Department would like to thank the many dedicated volunteers who helped to either plan the event or who volunteered their time, some of which are present here this evening, along with the many sponsors, town employees, and attendees who helped to make this year's event the best one yet. The Munster Police Department looks forward to planning our 25th Anniversary event starting this spring.

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