



# BELOIT POLICE DEPARTMENT



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## **31<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**

The Beloit Fire Department, the Beloit Police Department, and the Beloit Crime Stoppers will once again partner in celebration of the 31<sup>TH</sup> National Night Out on Tuesday, August 5, 2014.

On August 5<sup>TH</sup> from 5:30-8:30pm residents in neighborhoods throughout Beloit are asked to lock their doors, turn on and display outside lights and spend the evening outside with their neighbors. Last year over 30 neighborhood blocks registered to participate in Beloit's National Night Out celebration.

Last year's National Night out campaign involved citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations and local officials from over 15,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian Cities, and military bases worldwide. In all, 37 million people participated in National Night out 2013.

As in the past, Beloit Police, Firefighters, City Officials, Crime Stoppers, and elected representatives will visit many of block parties and cookouts. Each neighborhood block will be responsible for planning special activities. Barricades will be available.

### **National Night Out is designed to:**

- Heighten drug and crime awareness
- General support for, and participation in, local anticrime programs
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit, and police-community partnerships
- Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and are fighting back

All neighborhood blocks participating in this year's National Night Out activities should register with the Beloit Police Department. Applications are available at the Beloit Fire Station Headquarters, 1111 Church St., Beloit Police Department, 100 State St., and the City of Beloit website, [www.beloitwi.gov](http://www.beloitwi.gov).

The deadline for registration is 5:00pm on July 25<sup>th</sup>.

For more information on National Night Out activities contact Detective John Fahrney at the Beloit Police Department at 364-6840.

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