



# EFFINGHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **National Night Out 2018**

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.

Millions of neighbors take part in National Night Out across thousands of communities from all fifty states, U.S. territories and military bases worldwide on the first Tuesday in August. Because of the oppressive heat in August, the Effingham Police Department elected to move our Night Out to September 11<sup>th</sup>. As a thank you for partnering with us the past 18 months, Effingham Police Department wants to show appreciation for your support. In conjunction with the generous donations from these sponsors (Walmart, Effingham Public Library, Homewood Grill and Springfield Clinic), we wish to celebrate our community and build camaraderie through Effingham's first National Night Out at no cost to the public.

Please join us on Tuesday, September 11, 2018, from 5:30 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. at the Effingham Library parking lot (200 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street). Meet Effingham Police officers, win prizes, enjoy great food, talk with neighbors, meet new faces, and help strengthen our community bond. For more information, please contact the Community Policing Office at 217-342-5318.

**Tuesday, September 11, 2018**

**5:30 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.**

**Effingham Library Parking Lot, 200 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street**

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**Backpacks and bicycle giveaway provided by Walmart**

**Physicians and nurses from Springfield Clinic**

**Book giveaway provided by Effingham Library**

**Ice cream provided by Homewood Grill**

**Pulled Pork and chips provided by Effingham Police Department**