



RIVER CITIES PREPARE FOR NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Neighborhoods throughout Caddo and Bossier Parishes are once again being invited to join forces for a celebration of **National Night Out**.

This event is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for local anti-crime efforts, and strengthen police-community partnerships.

The City of Shreveport will kick off its celebration at **5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 3 with a press conference at Paradise Baptist Church, located at 1706 Hollywood Ave.**

Residents will hold gatherings from 6-9 p.m. spending the evening outside with family, friends, neighbors, emergency response personnel, and city officials. Many neighborhoods will host a variety of special events such as block parties, cookouts, parades, flashlight walks, contests, youth activities and anti-crime rallies.

Shreveport residents have participated in National Night Out for the past 30 years, with a growing number of new block parties every year. Last year, Shreveport-Bossier City boasted well over 120 combined block parties.

For additional information about the event, please contact Shreveport Police Corporal Marcus Hines at 673-6932.