



CITY OF BURNSVILLE MN NIGHT TO UNITE REGISTRATION

(formerly National Night Out)

Tuesday, August 4, 2009

5:30 pm to 9:00 pm

Night to Unite Registration Form

Please return by Friday, July 24, 2009 to:

Night to Unite
100 Civic Center Parkway
Burnsville, MN 55337
FAX 952-895-4462

Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Location of Event: _____

Time of Event: _____ to _____

Number of people expected: _____ adults _____ children

Party Visit Requests* - Indicate your party interests below. Please note that Police, Fire and City staff visits will be reduced this year due to budget constraints. Party visits will be randomly chosen.

Police Yes No **Fire** Yes No **Burnsville City Council** Yes No
School Board Yes No **State Elected Officials** Yes No

Are you planning to block off any streets? Yes No

Which street(s) are you proposing to block off? _____

Please be aware that we are unable to block certain streets. You will be contacted if your street is unable to be blocked due to high traffic volume. Barricade tape will be available for your use and can be picked up at City Hall on Monday, August 3rd.

All parties are considered public - local media and city staff may attend to take photos and/or video. Questions? Call the Night to Unite hotline at 952-895-4433.

**BURNSVILLE NIGHT TO UNITE
TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2009
ORGANIZING INFORMATION**

Thank you for contributing your valuable time and energy to organize this event! Here are a few suggestions for making your **Night To Unite** neighborhood party a success:

1. ORGANIZING YOUR PARTY

A successful event depends on careful planning and providing adequate notice to your neighbors. Talk with your neighbors as early as possible, and invite all neighbors on your block. Include your neighbors in the planning process and plan the type of party your neighborhood would like. The idea is to have FUN!! Visit www.burnsville.org for planning help and party activity information.

2. BARRICADE TAPE & PARTY HANDOUTS

The City will provide barricade tape for all parties that request and are approved for street closure. The tape and party handouts (informational materials and coupons) may be picked up on Monday, August 3th at City Hall from 8:00 am-4:30 pm. The barricade tape will be used in place of cones. There will be no party organizer T-shirts or door hangers this year. You may visit www.burnsville.org to download a flyer to use for your neighborhood gathering.

3. FOOD DRIVE COLLECTION

The City will not be holding a food drive contest this year but we encourage party organizers to collect food from party goers and donate to a local food shelf.

4. NEIGHBORHOOD PARTICIPATION

If your block participates in Neighborhood Watch, consider inviting an unorganized block to join your neighborhood party. Also, several organized blocks may wish to combine their National Night Out gatherings into a larger celebration.

Q: What is Night to Unite?

A: Minnesota's Night to Unite is an evening to gather with your neighbors, get to know each other and promote community safety.

Q: When is the time and date of Night to Unite?

A: Tuesday, August 4th, 2009. Neighborhood gatherings often begin around 5:30 pm, it is up to the individual group to set a time that works best for their area.

Q: Why did we change the name of this program?

A: Burnsville made the switch to Night to Unite to unify with many other MN cities who chose to get out from under the umbrella of the non-profit that manages National Night Out.

Q: What are the benefits of the name change?

A: We can produce our own materials without having concern for copyright laws. This will allow for a more affordable celebration. Night to Unite is designed to: (1) Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; (2) generate support for, and participation in local anti-crime programs; (3) Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and (4) Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

Q: How will I know if my party will receive a visit from Police, Fire or other City staff?

A: Due to budget changes, there will be approximately 65% less Police, Fire and City staff visiting parties this year. We will visit as many parties as possible, but cannot guarantee a visit to your gathering.