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## Harrisonburg Back in Spotlight for National Night Out Celebration

Harrisonburg has been recognized by the National Association of Town Watch for the city's efforts during National Night Out 2013. Nationally, this year's event involved 37.8 million people in 16,124 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide. The Friendly City placed 29<sup>th</sup> nationally among cities with a population between 50,000 and 99,999 residents, which is up two spots from last year.

America's night out against crime, which was held on Aug. 6, was celebrated with a caravan of public safety professionals and civic leaders traveling to several neighborhoods throughout the city. Some new neighborhood stops were added and the hope is to have as many or more community members participate in National Night Out 2014.

"The citizens of Harrisonburg are well deserving of this honor. We are fortunate to have concerned residents and business owners who go the extra mile to assist in the crime fighting efforts. It truly takes a community to police a community", said Captain Richard Sites, Administrative Bureau Commander with the Harrisonburg Police Department.

More information on National Night Out and a complete list of the 2013 National Award Winners can be found at <http://natw.org/>.

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