

# National Night Out

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The origins of National Night Out day begin with Matt Peskin, way back in 1970. Peskin was a regular volunteer for the Lower Merion Community Watch program — which worked with the Lower Merion Police Department in the western suburbs of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Peskin would often patrol local areas and soon introduced a newsletter on community successes and local volunteer work. This was when he realized that new content for the newsletter was very difficult to find. He began reaching out to the surrounding communities for help and noticed they all had local groups of neighborhood watches but no way to connect to or even identify other groups. Neighborhood watches as a concept began in the U.S. in the late 1960s. As incidents of criminal activities rose in this period, the collective consensus was that the U.S. needed local watch groups that were focused on residential areas. The National Sheriffs' Association partly funded the creation of the National Neighborhood Watch program in the 1970s, and local groups have been contributing to safety and security since then.



FRESH  
GOODS

LIVE  
MUSIC

CRAFT  
BEER

Ten+ Vendors will be in attendance for this event, along with Live Music by Cassandra Rose, Weekend Specials, & Eagles Rest Winery onsite selling all their delicious wines!