



# Bluffton Police Department

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## National Night Out

Who:

Bluffton Police Department

What:

National Night Out

Where:

Bluffton Police Department, 101 Progressive Street

When:

Tuesday, August 2, 2016 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The Bluffton Police Department is hosting our third National Night Out event next month. It will be held Tuesday, August 2, 2016 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30p.m. at the police station in Buckwalter Place.

This event has been held annually since 1984 across the United States and Canada. Today, almost 33 years later, more than 16,000 communities celebrate the event that is meant to increase awareness about police-community partnerships that exist across America.

“Our vision is committed to community. We want the public to know we are here for them and we will continue to protect and serve them. This event is also to thank the community for their continuous support,” said Police Chief Joey Reynolds.

During the event, families will be able to enjoy safety exhibits and demonstrations by both the police and firefighters from the Bluffton Township Fire District. Beaufort County EMS will be here along with Beaufort County Animal Control. From the state, the SC Highway Patrol and Department of Natural Resources will be in attendance. The OneBlood Bus will also be on site for those who would like to donate blood, which is a simple way to give back to the community. Donating one pint of blood can save three lives.

In addition to law enforcement vehicles and fire trucks, there will also be an arts and crafts table for children, and a Tug-of-War contest between police officers and firefighters. You can't forget the food as well. Lowcountry Community Church will be cooking hamburgers and hotdogs for the public which is all possible due to the sponsors we've already acquired including Lowcountry Pavers, who is our Chief Sponsor. Mike Reichenbach and Sea Smiles Dental are also sponsors, but we need more help. For any local business or organization that would like to become a sponsor and have a tent and table at the event, please contact Joy Nelson at [jnelson@townofbluffton.com](mailto:jnelson@townofbluffton.com) or (843)706-4542.

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“Last year, which was our second year holding the event, we had at least 800 people in attendance, and we achieved the National Award 2015 by the National Association of Town Watch. We expect and hope this year’s event will be even larger,” said Reynolds.



\*\*pictures from 2015 National Night Out\*\*

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