

Ideas to help plan your Block Party

Block parties are great fun and a terrific way of getting to know your neighbors and building a stronger, safer community. Anyone can organize a block party, but the first time it can seem overwhelming.



Here are some hints:

- Don't organize the party alone. Find neighbors who are willing to help. Let them know how they can help with as little as one hour of their time delivering flyers or helping set-up/clean-up.
- Create a flyer announcing the time and date for the party and take it door to door. On the flyer ask your neighbors to donate drinks, meats to barbecue, or some snack food. A suggestion: Divide the alphabet and have each group supply different items.
- Take care of any necessary permits and insurance. Arrange for entertainment and/or any rented items (i.e. barricades) you want for your party.

On the day of the party:

- Have games with prizes for the children & adults. Everyone has fun with sidewalk chalk!
- Ask your Community Resource Officers and your neighborhood firemen to come.
- Have a block map available for everyone to fill in.
- Take lots of photographs
- Have a great time!

Good times for a Block Party

Memorial Day
4th of July
National Night Out (Aug)
Labor Day
Make a Difference Day (Sept)