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Oakdale Takes Second Place in National Night Out

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Oakdale, CA – The City of Oakdale is ranked second for California and nineteenth in the United States for this summer's National Night Out event.

The Oakdale Police Department is proud to announce our community ranked #2 in California for our festivities from National Night Out and made it into the top twenty cities in the nation, ranking #19 nationally (city population between 15,000 – 50,000). This is based on the block party events from August 7th, 2018, where the City of Oakdale hosted 7 citywide parties with approximately 5000 people in attendance.

In September, a scrapbook of the event was submitted to the National Association of Town Watch (NATW). The scrapbook included a video and pictures of all the parties from the night including a kickoff event at Burchell Park and the Classic Car Show. The NATW ranks the cities based on several criteria including the scrapbook, neighborhood participation, law enforcement participation and the overall campaign.

The Oakdale Police Department would like to thank all those who volunteered and attended the event, our sponsors including Martin-Brower, A.L. Gilbert, ADT, Oak Valley Community Bank, Firenze's, Savemart, Mike and Melissa Tozzi, Oakdale Feed and Seed, and PepsiCo to name a few, along with the many others that made this a significant event. Oakdale Police Public Information Officer Janeen Yates coordinated the event with a team of volunteers, sponsors and Neighborhood Watch Captains and ensured its success.

"National Night Out provides us the opportunity to put all the best of Oakdale on display," said Chief Scott Heller after hearing of our ranking, "We are very fortunate to live in a community that shares a strong partnership between citizens and first responders and to be recognized together on a large stage like NNO."

National Night Out is an opportunity for communities nationwide to heighten crime and drug awareness, promote police and community partnerships and develop neighborhood camaraderie. National Night Out now involves over 38 million people and more than 16,000 communities from all fifty states. Oakdale Police encourage everyone to take an active role in their existing Neighborhood Watch Group or contact Janeen Yates at (209) 847-2231 to inquire as to starting up a new Neighborhood Watch Group.

