

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: David Chanski, City Administrator
RE: Night to Unite
DATE: July 6, 2023



Night to Unite is Tuesday, August 1 and is a statewide event that is intended to build and foster community bonds between citizens, businesses, and public safety organizations. Night to Unite occurs annually on the first Tuesday in August.

Night to Unite's goals are to:

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness.
- Generate support and participation in crime prevention and community policing programs.
- Strengthen neighborhood spirits and public safety-community partnerships.
- Let criminals know that you are committed to keeping your neighborhood safe.

The City of Breezy Point Police Department has taken the lead on Night to Unite for the last few years. In addition to law enforcement, fire, and EMS participation in the event, Public Works staff usually brings out various pieces of equipment for kids to see and touch and simple food items such as hotdogs, soda, and chips are provided. The Police Department usually seeks and receives donations for all food items. The City Council has never formally funded Night to Unite as part of the budget process.

Mayor Zierden has requested that the City Council discuss dedicating funds to support this year's Night to Unite as well as future Nights to Unite.