

Richardson Police Department News Release

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National Night Out – October 5, 2010

The National Association of Town Watch (N.A.T.W) has awarded Richardson, Texas 1st place for the 2010 National Night Out competition which showcases citizen participation between respective police departments and the communities they serve.

The national event encourages citizens to come outside for an evening with their neighbors and interact with members the Richardson Police Department to help strengthened neighborhood spirit and enhances the sense of community. Community policing is a strategy and philosophy based on the notion that community interaction and support can help control crime and reduce fear, with community members helping to identify suspects and bring problems to the attention of the police.

Richardson has been recognized as one of the top N.N.O. communities in the nation for the past 17 years and was previously awarded 1st place in 2001, 2005, and 2007 for communities in the 50,000 to 99,000 population category.

The Richardson Police Department had 167 registered neighborhood block parties for 2010 as well as various crime preventions programs throughout the year that served the residential and business communities.