



# City of Margate Police Department

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Citizens, law enforcement agencies, community groups, businesses, youth organizations and local, state and federal officials from 16,790 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories and military bases worldwide joined to celebrate the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual National Night Out (NNO)- a community crime prevention and safety event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW). Nationally an estimated 38.6 million people participated in NNO 2018.

The Margate Police Department hosted its **National Night Out Against Crime** on August 7, 2018, at the Margate Sports Complex. National Night Out Against Crime is designed to increase crime and drug prevention awareness; generate support for and participation in, local anti-crime programs; strengthen neighborhood spirit and police community partnership; and to send a message to criminals, letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back against crime. This event is a popular event that attracts thousands.

A total of 188 winners were recognized by The National Association of Town Watch for their participation in National Night Out. Of the 2,825 police departments that participated nationwide, the City of Margate was one of two cities selected from the state of Florida, to be recognized as award winners.

The National Association of Town Watch has selected the City of Margate as a National Award Winner for the seventh time. We are honored to be once again recognized by the National Association of Town Watch, and are excited to bring another fun-filled night in 2019.

