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### Rockford Police, United Way Announce Summer 2017 Dates for Strong Neighborhoods Days Block Parties

**Rockford, Ill.** - The Rockford Police Department and United Way of Rock River Valley will launch its summer series of Strong Neighborhoods Days block parties. The block parties, which provide informal opportunities for neighbors to meet and engage with district police officers, will occur on Wednesdays from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the following locations:

- June 7, 2017 – Revell Strong Neighborhoods House (1233 Revell Avenue)
- June 14, 2017 – 8th Avenue Strong Neighborhoods House (908 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue)
- June 21, 2017 – Irving Strong Neighborhoods House (312 Irving Avenue)
- June 28, 2017 – Salter Avenue & Court Street
- July 12, 2017 – Creekview Road & East Lawn Drive
- July 19, 2017 – Belden Park (2300 Belden Street)

Block party activities include giveaways, bomb robot demonstrations, and tours of the Rockford Police mobile command center and Strong Neighborhoods Houses. United Way will provide food, catered by Zina Horton from local favorite, Zammuto's, and will also distribute free t-shirts to attendees.

Police officers and United Way volunteers will go door-to-door throughout the neighborhood to make introductions, distribute event information and invite residents to attend leading up to each event.

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