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Marathon community enjoys National Night Out

MARATHON, FL (Aug. 6, 2026) – The Marathon community turned out in droves for the National Night Out event Tuesday, Aug. 4, at the Monroe County Sheriff's Office Aviation Hangar.

The event, which was held at four other locations in the Florida as well as throughout the state and the nation, brought together a variety of law enforcement and emergency response agencies and gave residents the opportunity to meet with personnel, view the equipment and vehicles used by each, and even have the chance to pet a python.

Children were able to sit on a MCSO motorcycle, see the inside of the Trauma Star helicopter, get up close with the Monroe Fire Rescue vehicles, and gather numerous gifts from each sponsor.

Other agencies taking part in the event included the Key Colony Beach Police Department, MCSO Bomb Squad, Monroe County Fire Rescue, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Florida Department of Corrections, U.S. Border Patrol, and the U.S. Coast Guard.

Community partners on hand included Centennial Bank, Early Learning Coalition, Florida Health Monroe County, Legal Services of the Florida Keys, Monroe County School District, and West Care Guidance/Care Center.

Hundreds of thousands of neighbors take part in National Night Out events in myriad communities throughout the nation, U.S. territories, and military bases worldwide on the first Tuesday in August, although Texas and select areas celebrate on the first Tuesday in October, according to National Night Out officials.



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