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Dear Community Member:

Please join us as we welcome our students and teachers back to school and celebrate the University City Police Department's National Night Out. Since 2011, we have joined forces to host a joint Back-to-School Rally and National Night Out event. This year's event is scheduled for Tuesday, August 1, 2023, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Jackson Park Elementary School, located at 7400 Balson Ave. (63130).

To ensure the community-wide event is successful, we would appreciate your **partnership with any financial support or donations** you could provide (see enclosed form for details). During the past several years, backpacks, filled with school supplies, were given to students. And we "filled the bus" at the event with donations of clothing, school supplies and personal hygiene items for local families in need. These resources are important to so many families and with your support, we can reach even more students this year.

This community-wide event provides valuable services and support to families throughout the University City community including free health screenings, hair cuts and styles, school information, family safety and strengthening neighborhoods through police/community partnerships. Also, free food, music and other entertainment make it a family-friendly evening. **Community volunteers are needed to work specific time slots in various areas.**

In addition, **vendor booths** are available for education-related and community organizations. In exchange, booths are expected to provide give-away items that relate to the theme of "Safe at School - Safe at Home."

More details regarding donations, booths and volunteers along with online sign-up forms are available at www.ucityschools.org/NNO-BTSR. Contact regarding your support would be appreciated by July 15.

Thank you for your consideration of partnering with the school district and city. If you have any questions, please contact Gary Spiller at gspiller@ucityschools.org or 314-290-4045 or UCPD Captain Dana L. Morley at dmorley@ucitymo.org or 314-505-8654.

Sincerely,

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