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ARLINGTON WINS SECOND PLACE IN 2025 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AWARDS

The National Association of Town Watch announced that Arlington received second place in its 2025 National Night Out Awards program, which recognizes communities for outstanding participation and engagement during the annual event.

Arlington has placed in the Top 3 nationally every year since 2015, with first place finishes in 2020, 2021, 2023, and 2024.

More than 210 Arlington neighborhoods, organizations, and businesses hosted National Night Out parties this year. The goal of NNO is to bring together neighbors, community leaders, police, firefighters, and other city employees in a fun, relaxed environment so they can forge lasting relationships that will help strengthen the community.



“National Night Out is a proud tradition here in Arlington,” said Chief of Police Al Jones. “It’s about safety and connection. Through those connections and through those partnerships, we’re building trust. And it’s really about making sure we’re taking care of one another. Fighting crime here in Arlington is not just about the police department. It’s about the community as a whole.”

A Texas-sized THANK YOU to everyone who participated in 2025 -- and we can't wait to do it again in 2026!!

Don't Let Thieves Steal Your Joy This Holiday Season

PREVENT HOLIDAY MAIL THEFT

PREVENTION TIPS:

- **Collect Mail Promptly:** Retrieve mail soon after delivery.
- **Use a Locked Mailbox:** Install a secure mailbox.
- **Opt for a PO Box:** Consider a post office box for valuable mail.
- **Hold Your Mail:** Use the USPS “Hold Mail” service when traveling.
- **Use Informed Delivery:** Sign-up for previews of incoming mail.
- **Avoid Sending Cash or Sensitive Documents:** Use secure methods for important items.
- **Install Security Cameras:** Install cameras near your mailbox or front door.

WHAT TO DO IF MAIL GETS STOLEN:

- **Contact USPS:** Report mail theft to the local post office or USPS Postal Inspection Service.
- **File a Police Report:** Notify law enforcement if sensitive information was stolen.
- **Monitor Credit:** Keep an eye on your credit for potential identity theft.

Take action now to protect your holiday packages!



CALENDAR

- December 10

Hot Cocoa with Santa
5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Kathryn Wilemon Lake House
Event Center
6021 W. Arkansas Ln.
- December 11

Noche de Fiesta
6:30 pm
2002 E. Abram St.
- December 13

Arlington Holiday Lights Parade
2 pm - 9 pm
Downtown Arlington
Celebrations start at 2 pm. The parade begins at 6 pm, followed by the COA Christmas tree lighting.

- December 13 - 25

Interlochen Holiday Lights
6 pm - 10 pm
- December 24, 25, and January 1

City Holiday Schedule
Most City of Arlington offices will be closed in recognition of Christmas Eve (observed), Christmas Day (observed), and New Year's Day (observed)
- December 29

**Officer Jillian Smith
End of Watch Wreath Ceremony**
11 am
Moore Memorial Gardens
1219 N. Davis Dr.