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CSI event set for Saturday, May 13 at Frontier Park

PROSPER (May 8, 2017) Further solidifying an already exceptionally close relationship between residents and members of the Prosper Police Department, the Town is hosting its annual Community Safety Initiative (CSI) in conjunction with National Police Week.

“CSI is another of our community-building activities,” says Police Chief Doug Kowalski. “We are committed to strengthening our relationship with residents, and the CSI is our way of setting aside time to do exactly that. At the same time, the event allows us the opportunity to honor our brothers and sisters in law enforcement, especially those who have fallen in the line of duty.”

The Community Safety Initiative is scheduled for Saturday, May 13 at Frontier Park, 1551 W. Frontier Parkway, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Prosper Police officers, several of whom have joined the force since the last CSI, will be on hand to meet and greet residents, exchange contact information, and provide advice on crime prevention.

Officer Erin Hubbard and dispatcher Delanna Copeland are co-organizers of the event.

The Saturday program is a prelude to Prosper’s recognition of National Police Week, this year celebrated from Sunday, May 14 to Saturday, May 20. The second day of National Police Week pays special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty. On May 15, law enforcement agencies throughout the country pause to remember these fallen peace officers.

The Prosper CSI event has become another event that allows residents the opportunity to meet police officers in a relaxed and convivial environment. It joins the frequently-held Coffee with a Cop, Kid ID Card program, the seasonal Cops with a Claus, annual Citizens Police Academy, National Night Out, and other community relations programs where stress-free interaction occurs.

In fact, this year’s CSI will host the graduation ceremony for the latest Citizens Police Academy class.

“Meeting a resident as a result of an emergency situation or because of a hardship is not how we want to make that initial contact,” said the Chief. “We want to build relationships based on trust and confidence. And, with the expansion of both the police force and the population, there are probably many residents who have not met our new officers and vice versa. CSI gives everyone a chance to meet.”

The event is free and will include exhibits from a variety of safety-related businesses and organizations. Police equipment, vehicles and apparatus will be on display and music, games and give-aways are part of the event.

“This is a great opportunity for us to welcome new residents, reconnect with old friends, and introduce our new officers,” added Chief Kowalski.

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ABOUT THE TOWN OF PROSPER – The Town of Prosper is a fast-growing suburb with small town charm, located 30 miles north of Dallas at the crossroads of U.S. 380, Preston Road and the Dallas North Tollway in Collin and Denton Counties. Prosper sits on 27 square miles and is home to more than 17,800 people. A home-rule municipality, governed by a council-manager form of government, the town has full-time fire and police departments, including its own dispatch service. As the Town grows to its projected build-out population of 70,000 residents, Prosper’s vision is to remain a “Place Where Everyone Matters.”