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## SAN FERNANDO POLICE TO HOST NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2021

Lynette Romero, KTLA Channel 5, to be Host of Ceremonies. TV and Big Screen Actor Emilio Rivera to make guest appearance.

San Fernando, CA – On Tuesday, October 5, 2021, the San Fernando Police Department (SFPD) will partner with the San Fernando Police Advisory Council and Neighborhood Watch, for the "38<sup>th</sup> Annual National Night Out" crime and drug prevention event.

Six-time Emmy winning KTLA Channel 5 Morning News Anchor, Lynette Romero will join us as the host of the ceremonies. Lynette, along with her news colleagues, have received two Golden Mike Awards. When not anchoring the morning news, she is active in the community, teaches anchor and reporting classes at UCLA, and has been a member of the National Association of Hispanic Journalists.



Lynette Romero

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Emilio Rivera

Emilio Rivera, motion picture and television actor, will join as co-host and special celebrity guest. A few of his most notable films include *Traffic, Street Kings, and Collateral* starring opposite Jamie Foxx and Tom Cruise.

On television, Rivera is best known for playing the starring role of "Marcus Alvarez" on FX's smash hit series, *Sons of Anarchy*, and now reprising the role as a series regular for its spin-off, *Mayans M.C*.

SFPD is pleased to announce that United States Congressman Tony Cardeñas, California State Senate Majority Leader Robert Hertzberg, California Assemblymember Luz Rivas, San Fernando Mayor Sylvia Ballin, San Fernando Vice Mayor Mary Mendoza, San Fernando City Councilmembers Cindy Montañez, Hector A. Pacheco, and Celeste T. Rodriguez will be in attendance to show their support. In addition, City Manager Nick Kimball and San Fernando Chief of Police Anthony Vairo will also be among the special guests.

Chief Vairo, whose vision and leadership is responsible for bringing National Night Out back to the San Fernando community, has announced he will retire in December 2021. The community is encouraged to come out and show their support for his leadership and wish him well as he prepares for his retirement.

Chief Vairo provided some reflections on his last National Night Out event, "This event has been an integral part of our commitment to enhancing community engagement as well as strengthening community support and trust. I encourage all who live and work in our City to please join us on October 5<sup>th</sup>. With my retirement nearing, the thing I'll miss most after 39 years are the people of this great community."

SFPD is also very excited to have the band "Full Clip", closing out the event with a mini concert.

National Night Out is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime efforts; strengthen neighborhood spirit and



Full Clip

police-community partnerships; and send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

National Night Out will take place on October 5, 2021, from 6 pm to 9 pm, in front of City Hall (117 Macneil Street; between First Street and Second Street). There will be free food, free soft drinks and water, informational booths and activities for children, and giveaways for those who attend.