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SAN FERNANDO POLICE TO HOST NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2019
TV And Big Screen Actor Jacob Vargas to Make Guest Appearance
and TV Reporter Lydia Garcia Pantazes to Host Ceremonies

San Fernando, CA – On Tuesday, August 6, 2019, the San Fernando Police Department (SFPD), in partnership with the San Fernando Police Advisory Council and Neighborhood Watch, will join thousands of communities across the nation for the 36th Annual National Night Out crime and drug prevention event.

SFPD is pleased to announce they will be joined by U.S. Congressman Tony Cardenas, State Senate Majority Leader Robert Hertzberg, Assemblymember Luz Rivas, San Fernando Mayor Joel Fajardo and San Fernando Chief of Police Anthony Vairo. Also expected to attend are City of San Fernando Vice Mayor Sylvia Ballin and Councilmembers Robert Gonzales, Antonio Lopez and Hector Pacheco.

SFPD is also very excited to announce that SAG and ALMA Award winning TV/Film Star Jacob Vargas will make a special appearance at the event. He is known to many for his big screen roles in such movies as SELENA, GET SHORTY, AMERICAN ME, and shined as Tijuana cop Manolo, in the Academy Awardwinning film TRAFFIC. On television, his credits include LUKE CAGE, COLONY, HAND OF GOD, SONS OF ANARCHY, and he is currently co-starring on the Netflix comedy MR. IGLESIAS.

The Host of Ceremonies fit the night will be bilingual TV News Reporter Lydia Garcia Pantazes. Before returning home to Southern California to report for Spectrum News 1 SoCal, Lydia reported for KRON 4 in the San Francisco Bay Area, as well as CBS Austin and Telemundo Austin. She is no stranger to law enforcement. During her time in Austin, she partnered with the U.S. Marshals Service and launched "Marshals' Most Wanted" that focused on capturing violent and dangerous fugitives in Central Texas.

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Special Music Guests "Honey County" will perform live to open the event and local band "Entrusted" will close the event with a mini concert.



Jacob Vargas



Lydia Garcia Pantazes



Honey County



Entrusted

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

San Fernando Police Chief Tony Vairo said, "This event is an integral part of our commitment to enhancing community engagement and strengthening community support and trust. I encourage all who live and work in our City to please join us on August 6, 2019. As Chief of Police, I am excited to host this event for the 5th year in a row and always look forward to meeting and greeting many of our residents and community members."

National Night Out will take place on August 6, 2019, from 6 pm to 9 pm, in the Civic Center Parking Lot located at the corner of Maclay Avenue and First Street (next to the Police Station). There will be free food, free soft drinks and water, informational items, activities for children, and giveaways for those who attend. In addition, the SFPD '56 Chevy Police Car will be on display for attendees to take pictures in a specially arranged scene.