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*From the Lodge to the Lighthouse
We're striving for a healthier Hyde*

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Hyde County Celebrates Community Collaboration with National Night Out on August 7th

The Hyde County Health Department is proud to announce a National Night Out gathering on Tuesday, August 7, 2018 from 5:00pm-8:00pm at the Hyde County Davis Center park located at 33478 US Hwy 264 in Engelhard, NC. National Night Out is an annual community-building, crime/drug prevention event that is sponsored nationally by the National Association of Town Watch and sponsored locally by the Hyde County Health Department.

National Night Out is designed to: (1) Heighten crime and drug awareness; (2) Generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime efforts; (3) Strengthen community engagement and police/community partnerships; and (4) Send a message to criminals letting them know the community is organized and fighting back.

All are welcome to attend this FREE event! Anyone can register for a free raffle upon entering the event, which will include many giveaways from local businesses, such as a \$50 gift card to Spoon River, \$25 gift card to Chris's Grocery, or a fishing pole from R.S. Spencer True Value – to name a few. Food and beverages will be available for purchase from Martelle's Restaurant, Sugar & Spice, and Davis Youth Center.

The main entertainment of the evening will begin at 6pm when Cooper Greer takes the stage. Kids will have the opportunity to see and touch service vehicles used by some of our own community agencies/businesses including an ambulance, tractor, fire engine, police cruiser, and Tideland bucket truck. Kids can enjoy having their face painted and playing basketball with Hyde County Sheriff's Office deputies, as well as knocking community agency representatives into a dunking booth and stopping by the photo booth to take some quick pictures with friends and family. And finally, there will be informational booths with games, giveaways, and resources from a variety of community organizations including:

Hyde County Health Department (HCHD)
Primary Care
Family Planning
Children's Services
Amedisys Home Health & Hospice Care
Hyde County Hotline
Partnerships to Improve Community Health (PICH)
Hyde County Youth Athletics
Hyde County Schools
Hyde County EMS
Tideland Electric Membership Corporation
Hyde County Department of Social Services

Trillium Health Resources
NC Division of Marine Fisheries
NC Wildlife Resources Commission
Coastal Home Care Agency
O'Neal's Drug Store
Vidant Beaufort Hospital
Dare Challenge
Recovery Innovations
Engelhard Fire Department
Mattie Arts
Middlecreek Farms

Luana Gibbs, Interim Health Director at the HCHD says, "We hope that this event will bring a lot of our residents out to meet and learn about our many wonderful Hyde County agencies and businesses and the services that they offer. We especially hope to create an awareness of Hyde County's Substance Awareness Taskforce efforts and the local services and resources that are available in Hyde County – some for the very first time – in order to better serve those using and abusing drugs," says Gibbs.

Seating for this event will be limited, therefore, it is encouraged that attendees bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on. If there happens to be inclement weather, the event will take place inside the Davis Center. Alcoholic beverages, illicit drugs, and weapons are strictly prohibited at this event.

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