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**City of Champaign Announces Dates for Lovin’ U Block Parties**

CHAMPAIGN - The City of Champaign is pleased to announce the Lovin’ U Campaign of block parties and community engagement events starting August 2 and lasting through September 1, 2021. The Lovin’ U Campaign is being put on by the City’s Neighborhood Services Department in partnership with the Champaign County Community Coalition and the Hip-Hop Express.

Each stop on the Lovin’ U Campaign Tour will feature an interactive DJ and music, refreshments, family-friendly games and activities, bounce house, and information/resource vendors. Attendees will also have the opportunity to provide feedback to the City on your thoughts and ideas on how the American Rescue Plan funds will have the biggest impact on our community. These events are free and open to the public. Everyone is invited!

Be sure to check out the Lovin’ U Campaign Tour on one of these dates:

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| Monday, August 2       | 6-8 pm  | Garden Hills Neighborhood Block Party/National Night Out<br>1701 Bloomington Road, Champaign |
| Wednesday, August 11   | 6-8 pm  | Hedge Road Neighborhood Block Party<br>1500 Block of Hedge Road, Champaign                   |
| Thursday, August 12    | 6-8 pm  | Countrybrook Block Party<br>2502 W. Springfield Ave, Champaign                               |
| Thursday, August 19    | 9-11 pm | Downtown Champaign Block Party<br>Neil and Washington City Parking Lot                       |
| Wednesday, August 25   | 6-8 pm  | Town Center Apartments Block Party<br>2413 N. Neil St., Champaign                            |
| Wednesday, September 1 | 6-8 pm  | Bristol Place Residences Celebration and Tour Closeout<br>1300 N. Market St., Champaign      |

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