As Four Creeks UAC has done for the past 12 years we have focused on Community safety and National Night Out events. The events are put on in conjunction with Four Creeks Unincorporated Area Council http://fourcreeks.org/ , which is a 501 c 3 Non Profit Corporation serving the unincorporated area of King County east of the Renton Highlands. We applied for a Community Service Area grant in early December of 2021 and were awarded a grant amount of $1,500.00 at the end of March 2022. We would like to acknowledge our thanks to King County Local Services and the Alan Painter Grant Program for partnering with us to put on these events. With the grant in hand we searched for community partners that would be willing to help host a NNO event.

On June 21st a group of neighbors in the east Briarwood area (specifically belonging to the Ida-Naila Blockwatch ) met to discuss holding a NNO event. The consensus was that last year had been a success and that we should build on that. 15 neighbors volunteered their time to help out on the event this year. This included planning, arranging for participants, reserving rentals, and food. We invited the following County organizations to come to our event, King County Sheriffs Department, Renton Regional Fire Authority, King County Water District – 90, and folks from King County Participatory Budgeting. Flyers were updated and printed and delivered to over 120 homes in the neighborhood. National Night Out Banners were also updated and hung up at the location of the event. We also posted on Facebook and Nextdoor to advertise our event to the local area.

On August 2nd , the day of the NNO event, Tables, Chairs and Easy-Ups were staged at the event site on 182nd Ave SE in the morning. The Bouncy House was delivered and set up in the afternoon. Doofers Chicken was picked up at 5:30 and Dominos delivered Pizza at the same time. Water District -90 arrived and started their setup, which included filling their portable water trailer from a local hose fitting. King County Local Services folks arrived and set up their voting area for the Participatory Budgeting Project ballot. The Information and Sign in table was set up and manned. Food Tables set up and manned and we were ready for visitors.

Our event ran from 6 to 8:30 PM and brought in over 55 adults and children. In addition we had another 12 or more folks from the RFA, KCWD-90, KCSO, and KC Local Services. The Shaved Ice Machine took a bit of fine tuning and then was up to snuff for all the kiddos and adults.