

# HALLOWEEN



*SAFETY TIPS & ACTIVITIES*



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Call 9-1-1 if someone bothers you, you are lost or scared.

If you are worried about something you've eaten,  
call Poison control **1-800-222-1222** anytime of the day or night.

For non-emergencies, please call 3-1-1.

For additional information, please contact:

**Mayor Luke Ravenstahl**  
512 City-county Building  
Pittsburgh, PA 15219  
412-255-2626

**Liz Style, Office of the Mayor**  
412-255-477

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*Mayor Luke Ravenstahl's  
Halloween Safety Certificate*

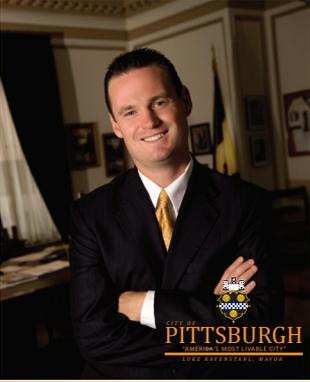
*is awarded to:*

*I promise to have fun and be safe this Halloween by following  
all the safety tips I learned in this book*



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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR MAYOR

*Dear Neighbors,*

*Halloween is a fun, festive time for many adults and children in our City. To keep it safe, read these safety tips as a family and follow them. To keep it fun, open the brochure all the way and play the games with family and friends. With your help, we can make Halloween a Pittsburgh treat for all!*

*Have a safe & spooky Halloween,*

*Mayor Luke Ravenstahl*



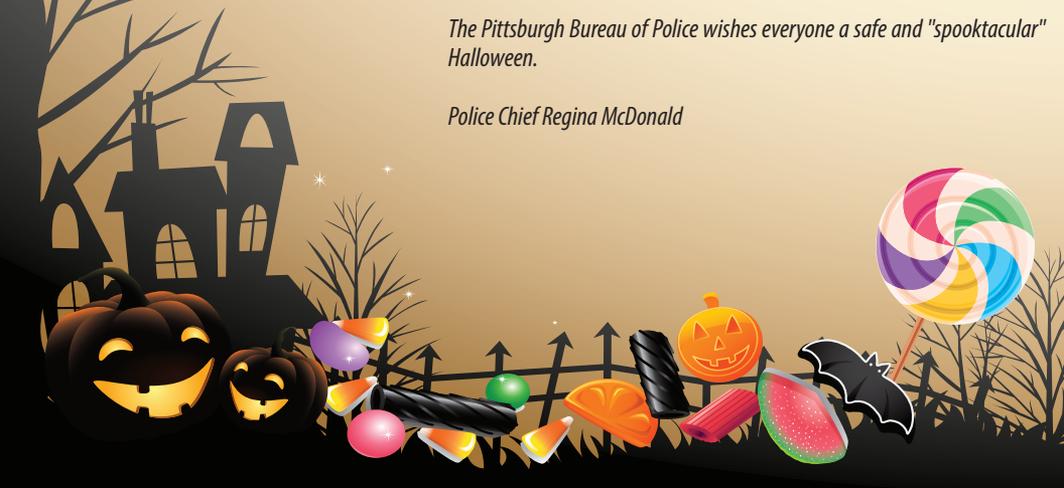
## A MESSAGE FROM OUR POLICE CHIEF

*Dear Neighbors,*

*Halloween is a festive time for all, as ghouls and goblins seem to come to life in every neighborhood in our City. However, as we all enjoy the festivities, we must also be safe and smart as many of our children celebrate this fun-filled evening. Please read the safety tips in this activity brochure and remember to always go trick or treating with an adult. Parents should dress children in costumes that are visible and all candy should be checked before eating.*

*The Pittsburgh Bureau of Police wishes everyone a safe and "spooktacular" Halloween.*

*Police Chief Regina McDonald*





## *Costumes should be fun, scary... and safe!*

- Keep costumes short so children can walk safely.
- Purchase costumes that are flame retardant.
- Use make-up or face paint, rather than masks, so children can see more easily.
- Make sure costumes are light-colored or put reflective tape on the back and front so children can be easily seen.

## *Safety Tips for Parents, Guardians & Older Children:*

- Plan a trick-or-treating route ahead of time.
- Have a responsible adult accompany children.
- Use a flashlight or glow stick to increase visibility.
- Stay on well-lit streets and cross the streets at intersections.
- Visit well-lit homes.
- Never let children enter a strange house to collect treats.
- Carry a mobile phone for quick communication.
- Put a slip of paper with your address/mobile phone number in your child's pocket.
- Don't allow children to sample treats until they are home and the goodies have been examined by an adult.



## *Trick-or-Treating can be fun, but consider these "spooktacular" alternatives:*

- Attend Halloween festivities organized by community groups and churches.
- Host a Halloween party in your home, and invite the children in your neighborhood and your children's friends!

*Having a Halloween party? Register your event at*

*[pittsburghpa.gov/publicsafety/halloween/](http://pittsburghpa.gov/publicsafety/halloween/)*

