

A festive celebration (Strongsville City Club – Sponsor)

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The Independence Day fireworks show was put on by the city of Strongsville.

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The July 4 holiday attracted thousands to the 13th annual Strongsville fireworks celebration.

Residents and guests lined the streets of Strongsville on state Route 82, Prospect Road, and all the way through Foltz Parkway, where the fireworks were launched.

As always, this year's fireworks display was funded entirely by donations. Thundering Titanium Salute Level Sponsors were Akzo Nobel Paints, the Strongsville Chamber of Commerce and the Strongsville City Club. The Star Shell Level Sponsor was Pat Catan's Craft Centers. Nearly 50 other businesses, clubs and families also donated funds to make the event possible.

"We are fortunate to still be able to do fireworks here, when many cities could not have them this year," said Susan Norcross, special projects coordinator for the city of Strongsville.

Norcross, along with Ben Stankewicz, assistant to the mayor, planned the evening's fireworks production and sought out the donations to fund it. The show was put on by American Fireworks.