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 Witch Watch

Suggested Anchor Intro: For most of us, trick or treating ends some time around high school. And it doesn't start up again until we have our own children. But, as Jessica Nam reports, a group of students at George Mason University have found a way to get in on the trick-or-treating fun.

Take Jessica Package TRT 2:30	(Take Jessica Package)
B-roll students sitting together at George Mason University's Dewberry Hall	(VO) IT'S NOT EVEN DARK, BUT THESE STUDENTS ARE READY TO HIT THE STREETS. THEY WON'T WEAR COSTUMES OR KNOCK ON DOORS. INSTEAD, THEY'LL BE KEEPING AN EYE ON YOUNG SUPER HEROS, WITCHES, AND GHOSTS.
TAKE SOT Font: Kevin Hartley Kappa Sigma	(SOT/HARTLEY) "We're all kids at heart, so every time it comes around we volunteer"
B-roll students sitting together right outside of George Mason University's Dewberry Hall	(VO) FOR FIVE YEARS NOW, MASON STUDENTS HAVE HELD AN ANNUAL HALLOWEEN NIGHT WITCH WATCH.
TAKE SOT Font: Ryan Bloomfield Student Government Advocacy and Outreach Chair	(SOT/BLOMMFIELD) "Mainly why we do this event is to get the Mason students out there in the community, getting involved and just patrol the neighborhood to make it more safe for the kids."

<p>B-roll students lining up for food at George Mason University's Dewberry Hall</p>	<p>(VO) MASON'S STUDENT GOVERNMENT PUTS ON THE ANNUAL WITCH WATCH. THEY'VE WATCHED THE NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS GROW FROM 50 TO ABOUT THREE-HUNDRED. AND NOW THEY'VE GOT THE SUPPORT OF THE LOCAL MAYOR AND POLICE.</p>
<p>TAKE SOT Font: Master Police Officer Taylor</p>	<p>(SOT/TAYLOR) "I think it's great that they get out there and show their true colors. So many people know of George Mason and they know the student aspect, the 30 plus thousand of the students, high traffic volume, the things that you read in the media, the problems with George Mason, but to see the students get out there involved as something as important as the safety of children is excellent."</p>
<p>B-roll GMU students standing outside a neighborhood.</p>	<p>(VO) THE MAYOR WAS NOT ABLE TO JOIN THE STUDENTS FOR A ROUND OF WITCH WATCH. BUT BECAUSE OF THIS EVENT THE MAYOR HAS PUT TOGETHER A SIMILAR EVENT FOR REGULAR VOLUNTEERS AROUND THE COMMUNITY.</p>
<p>B-roll children trick or treating in the neighborhood</p>	<p>FORTUNATELY, SINCE THE START OF THE WITCH WATCH EVENT, THERE HAVE NOT BEEN ANY CLAIMS OF MAJOR ACCIDENTS OR CRIMES--THANKS TO THE VOLUNTEERS WHO ARE WATCHING OVER THE SAFETY OF THE CHILDREN.</p>
	<p>NAT SOUND OF MASTER POLICE OFFICER TAYLOR - "Get out there and show your colors and do your thing."</p>

	NAT SOUND CHILDREN TRICK-OR-TREATING
END WITH VIDEO OF KIDS	FROM GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY, THIS IS JESSICA NAM REPORTING.
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