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# DPD MEMBERS DONATE OVER 800 FREE BIKE LICENSES

**DETROIT-** Police Chief Ella M. Bully-Cummings along with the Detroit Police Department's executive team, the three police unions, and the Detroit Firefighters Association have come together to provide a special gift to the children of Detroit. *On Saturday, July 12, 2008, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.,* more than 800 FREE bicycle licenses will be available for children 15 and under (first come, first served) at various locations citywide. To take part, parents can register their child's bicycle at their nearest Police District Station. Each District Station will have at least 100 free bicycle licenses to give away. Bicycles being registered must be on site. In addition to the six Police Districts, 100 free licenses will also be available to children 15 and under at two separate locations: the North Rosedale Park Community House and the Butzel Family Recreation Center.

***"We want to have as many bicycles registered in the city of Detroit as possible," said Chief Bully-Cummings who is personally donating 50 licenses. "Especially those that belong to children. The licenses assist our officers in identifying stolen bicycles and greatly increase the chance of a bicycle being returned back to its owner if it is ever stolen and recovered." Chief Bully-Cummings continued, "Now is also a perfect time for residents to inventory their home valuables and label them if possible. This type of documentation always aids our officers during an investigation of stolen property and has led to many arrests."***

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Due to city charter requirements, the Detroit Police Department cannot waive the \$1.00 bicycle fee, so members of the Detroit Police Department donated the funds that will cover the cost of the licenses during the giveaway.

Five local bicycle stores have also partnered up with the Detroit Police Department to offer FREE bicycle inspections and 10% discounts on bicycle safety equipment for individuals who bring in proof of Detroit bicycle registration.

***The FREE bicycle licenses giveaway will take place at the following locations:***

**CENTRAL DISTRICT**  
7310 Woodward Ave.

**NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT**  
11450 Warwick

**EASTERN DISTRICT**  
11187 Gratiot Ave.

**WESTERN DISTRICT**  
1441 W. Seven Mile

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT**  
4700 W. Fort

**NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT**  
5100 E. Nevada

**BUTZEL FAMILY AND  
RECREATION CENTER**  
7737 Kercheval

**NORTH ROSEDALE PARK  
COMMUNITY HOUSE**  
18445 Scarsdale

*As always, bicycle licenses are available to the public at all districts 24 hours a day but the desired time for bicycle registration is from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday – Friday.*

**The Detroit bicycle shops offering FREE inspections and 10% discounts on safety equipment purchases for those with proof of their Detroit bicycle registration are:**

**G & R Bike Shop - 10% off and free safety inspections through August 7**

21706 Grand River Ave. (313) 531-1146

**Bike Tech - 10% off and free safety inspections through August 7**

18401 E Warren Ave. (313) 884-2453

**Livernois Bike Shop - 10% off and free safety inspection until August 7**

16657 Livernois Ave. (313) 864-8734

**Back Alley Bikes / The Hub - 10% off until July 19. Free Safety Inspections through August 7**

3611 Cass Ave. (313) 879-5073

**Wheel House Detroit - 10% off until July 19. Free Safety Inspections through August 7**

1340 E. Atwater (313) 656-2453

*For additional information, please contact the Office of Public Information at 313-596-2200*

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