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Fort Frances Police Services Board

Thank you for taking the time to review the following request.

My name is Elaine Fischer and I'm a Health Promoter at the Northwestern Health Unit. I'm working with several local partners on the development of bike share program for Fort Frances.

I'm hoping the OPP can assist us with any of the following information that will help with planning and development of the program:

- Number/rates of bicycle theft in community?
- Any information about highest areas of reported bike thefts in and around the community?
- Any information on the areas where most bikes are found/retrieved?
- Finally, would the OPP consider donating found/retrieved bicycles to a community bike share program in order to help develop a local program?

**More info about potential Bike Share program:**

We want to partner with the RRDSB Techways Program, Safe Communities, OPP, KidSport Fort Frances and other partners to introduce a local bike share program in Fort Frances.

The school board introduced a program called Techways- a new initiative geared towards engaging students in hands-on learning experiences which will maximize students opportunities to career pathways.

We've met together and would like to model and implement a very successful program operating out of Beaver Brae School in Kenora.

1. Bikes get donated by the community to the Bike Share program
2. Students in the Techway repair donated bikes
3. The bikes then get turned back into the community for low-income or under-serviced children and families that need access to bikes.
4. It's a win-win. Students learn hands on experiential skills. Their work goes back into the community to benefit other children and families.

Thank you for your time. If you have any questions for concerns, please feel to contact me.

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