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BICYCLES TO BE DISTRIBUTED FOR NEEDY

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(Pierre) - Approximately 200 bicycles will be given to law enforcement personnel this week for distribution to underprivileged kids across the state of South Dakota.

The bikes will be picked up by law enforcement agencies at the 18th annual South Dakota Highway Patrol Law Enforcement Appreciation Dinner and Charity Fund Raiser in Sioux Falls, Wednesday, November 17, 1999.

That night, law enforcement agencies from across South Dakota will be picking up the bicycles to take back to their communities. Law enforcement officers then distribute the bicycles to kids who cannot afford their own.

Unclaimed bicycles are taken to the Mike Durfee State Prison in Springfield and refurbished by inmates as part of an inmate work program called "Pedal Power from The Pen". Last year, inmates fixed up and repainted 110 bicycles to be put back into service by South Dakota kids.