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B Street Head Start children receive bike helmets from LPD and PAL

Lewiston, ME (November 18, 2010)- B Street Head Start and Pre-K is proud to partner with The Community Resource Team of the Lewiston Police Department and Police Athletic League to help distribute bike helmets to children in need. With the help of the CTR officers - Tom Murphy, Craig Johnson and Bill Rousseau and Sergeant Marc Robitaille - the children of Androscoggin Head Start and Child Care can now ride their bikes more safely. When a group discussion with the children revealed that many of them were in need of bike helmets, PAL came to the rescue, donating 100 bicycle helmets.

The police officers have spoken to the children on multiple occasions on topics such as bike and pedestrian safety and stranger danger, and have become regular members of the classroom environment. At the recent "End of the Year Celebration" Officer Murphy and Officer Johnson were on hand to give out some of the helmets and speak with parents about safety topics. It was an exciting evening for children, families and staff.

Androscoggin Head Start and Child Care has provided quality early care and educational services to pregnant women, families, and children for over forty-four years. Program options include Full Day Head Start pre-kindergarten and child care, Half Day Head Start pre-kindergarten, Home Based, Family Child Care, Infant and Toddler Early Head Start, and the Child and Adult Care Food Program. Services through these programs are provided annually to over four hundred children and families throughout Androscoggin County.

Applications for all programs are accepted at any time. Please call (207) 795-4040 ext. 325 for more information. Please visit our website at www.AndroscogginHeadStart.org. Androscoggin Head Start and Child Care is a United Way funded and Lewiston and Auburn CDBG supported agency.



*Photo attachment:
Photo 1: Officer
Murphy fits a new bike
helmet for 4 year old
Jason.*

*Photo 2: Officer Murphy poses with Ebla and Jason as they show off their new helmets
courtesy of PAL.*



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