

Lower Providence Township

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Free Firearm Safety Kits Available

LOWER PROVIDENCE (May 7, 2009) – In conjunction with National Police Week, May 10-16, Lower Providence Township is raising awareness about gun safety and reminds residents that free firearm safety kits are available from the Township Police Department.

"Leaving an unattended, loaded firearm in a home with children is not safe or smart and trying to hide a gun is not the answer," said Lower Providence Township Police Chief Francis Carroll. "We encourage residents to take advantage of the free lock program."

Firearms should be stored in a location inaccessible to children and ammunition should be stored in a locked location separate from the firearms, said Carroll.

Each safety kit contains a brochure that contains safe handling and storage information and a cable-style gun lock. The lock fits on most types of handguns, rifles and shotguns. Unloaded firearms can be secured with the device making them inoperable.

The free kits can be picked up at the Lower Providence Township Police Department's Dispatch Center, 100 Parklane Drive, Eagleville, at anytime, seven days a week

Project ChildSafe is a nationwide firearm safety education program developed by the National Shooting Sports Foundation that receives funding through a US Department of Justice grant and the firearm industry.

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