

OPP host 'Operation Heat' again this winter

Youth demonstrating positive actions, positive behaviour and showing acts of kindness toward others may earn themselves some well-deserved acknowledgment this winter. The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is proud to be continuing its partnership with Mac's Convenience Stores across Ontario again this year for Operation Heat 2015.

OPP officers will be on the lookout in communities across the province; and when they 'catch' a youth participating in an act of kindness the youth will receive a 'thank you' which they will receive in the form of a free 'ticket' for hot chocolate.

A youth may receive a 'Positive Ticket' from an officer for a number of positive behaviours: doing a good deed; participating in community activities; demonstrating community pride eg. picking up trash; deterring crime or observing school crossing rules; or as an 'icebreaker' to establish a rapport with kids in their patrol area.

'Officers can use the coupons in a 'positive' way to interact with young people in their area and build relationships that will last for years to come' says OPP Inspector Robyn MacEachern, OPP Community Safety Services.

'Mac's is excited to once again partner with the OPP on this important initiative that encourages kids across Ontario to make positive decisions within their communities' said Sean Sportun, Manager, Loss Prevention & Security for Mac's in Central Canada.