

PROJECT CHILDSAFE
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PRESS RELEASE

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The Winnebago County Sheriff's Office is proud to announce its continued partnership with Project ChildSafe. Project ChildSafe, a program developed by the National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF), has distributed more than 35 million firearms safety kits throughout the country since 2003. The Sheriff's Office so far has distributed over 5000 kits since 2003. The program is funded by a U.S. Department of Justice grant, with additional funding provided by the firearm industry.

With the new Concealed Carry Law going into effect on November 1st, many people may be bringing a weapon into the home for the first time. "We encourage residents to pick up a Project ChildSafe safety kit so that they can securely store their firearm," said Community Programs Coordinator Deputy Erica Geschrei. "Each kit contains a safety curriculum and a cable-style gun lock. The lock fits handguns, rifles and shotguns. The goal is to prevent a child or any other unauthorized person or people from accessing a firearm in your home."

By partnering with Project ChildSafe, Winnebago County Sheriff's Office is participating in a national effort to promote firearms safety education to all gun owners and residents in our county.

These gunlocks will be available Monday-Friday 8 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office 4311 Jackson St. Oshkosh. Supplies are limited and we request only one gun lock kit per family.

Questions contact Community Programs Coordinator Deputy Erica Geschrei Monday through Friday 8 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at 236-7309 or egeschrei@co.winnebago.wi.us