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BIKE DONATIONS NEEDED FOR VALLEY YOUTH

The Phoenix Police Department will collect bicycles Oct. 21 from 8 a.m. to noon at the Ahwatukee Foothills Satellite Police Department, 4053 E. Mountain Sky Ave. The bicycles benefit St. Vincent de Paul's "Shifting Gears" program where children from low-income families are taught bike repair and safety before they are given their own bike.

SUPPORT SVdP

DID YOU KNOW St. Vincent de Paul makes nearly 3,200 meals for our 5 dining rooms and 18 additional nonprofits throughout the Valley? To learn more about our mission sign up for a tour October 10 or October 25. For information, call 602-261-6814.

SMALL DONATIONS MAKE A DIFFERENCE Our wish list includes: tennis shoes; new socks; new underwear; men's jeans in sizes 30, 32 and 34; toothpaste; toothbrushes; deodorant; shampoo; conditioner and canned food items. Why not hold an item drive at your school, office or business? Call (602) 850-6737 for information.

DONATE TO ST. VINCENT DE PAUL The holidays are nearing and soon it will be time to dust off the decorations. Spend a few extra minutes sorting through your closet and garage for gently-used household items and clothing and schedule a pick-up at 602-254-3338.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help prepare and serve meals, sort donated clothing and goods, stock items in our thrift stores and provide administrative support. There are positions and schedules available to accommodate a variety of talents and the busiest lifestyles. Call 602-261-6886 to volunteer.

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The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is an international volunteer organization that serves the poor in over 130 countries. The Phoenix Society was founded in 1946. With the help of more than 2,000 members and 6,000 volunteers, the Society currently feeds, clothes and assists families in need throughout central and northern Arizona.