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Staenberg – Loup Jewish Community Center Helps Students From Columbine Elementary Celebrate Wish for Wheels Bike Donation with Ice Cream Social

Kids from Denver Jewish Day School buy and build 30 bikes to donate to students

DENVER, Colo., May 20, 2019 – Fifth grade students from Denver Jewish Day School (Denver JDS) worked together to buy and build 30 bikes through Wish for Wheels Kid2Kid Program to donate to first grade students at Denver’s Columbine Elementary. The bike donation is on Wednesday, May 22 at 1:30 p.m. at Columbine Elementary.

As a way to celebrate the bike giveaway – and create a fun and engaging event for the students – the Staenberg-Loup Jewish Community Center (JCC Denver) donated ice cream from Scoop ice cream. Scoop will be dishing up free ice cream for Columbine Elementary students at the giveaway.

“We are thrilled to be a part of this special bike giveaway from Denver JDS to Columbine Elementary,” said Steve Goslee, Director of Membership and Engagement at the JCC Denver. “Supporting this event fits perfectly into our mission to serve, strengthen and inspire community, and we are proud to give back to young students in Denver.”

As rent and the cost of living in Denver continue to rise, many low-income families struggle to provide for their children. Through their Kid2Kid Program, Wish for Wheels matches older students in a “giving school” (with financial capacity) with grade K-2 students in a local Title 1 school. The kids in the giving school raise money and fund new bikes for their Title 1 school partner. The kids from the giving school then give the bikes to the students at their partner school.

ABOUT STAENBERG – LOUP JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER
The Staenberg-Loup Jewish Community Center (JCC Denver) serves the metro-Denver area through educational, social, cultural, fitness, sports and other programs that are rooted in Jewish values. The JCC Denver’s mission is to create a vibrant and inclusive family and social gathering place, guided by these timeless Jewish values. The J’s four program areas focus on connection, community and well-being and include: a robust fitness, sports, tennis and aquatic center; Early Childhood Engagement, including an Early Learning School and a
variety of programs for families; the Mizel Arts and Culture Center which offers JAAMM Fest (Jewish Arts, Authors, Movies & Music), Denver Jewish Film Festival, Wolf Summer Theater Academy, Art Academy and adult art classes; summer camps including Ranch Camp and Camp Shai; intergenerational and older adult programming like the Grandparent Connect Group and Jewish Aging Mastery Program (JAMP). The JCC Denver is located at 350 S. Dahlia St. in Denver. For more information visit jccdenver.org, call (303) 399-2660, and connect with us on Facebook and Instagram @jccdenver.

About Denver Jewish Day School
At Denver Jewish Day School — the Rocky Mountain region’s only K-12 community Jewish day school — academic excellence goes hand-in-hand with inquiry-based pluralistic Jewish education. Our K-12 curriculum combines challenging college preparatory classes, powerful Judaic values, and an individualized and supportive environment that stimulates intellectual, spiritual, physical, and social success. Our Divrei Chaim (Words to Live By) and middot (Jewish values) serve as the foundation for our entire Denver JDS community, including students, parents, and faculty. Denver Jewish Day School is located at 2450 S. Wabash St. in Denver. For more information, visit http://www.denverjds.org or call (303) 369-0663.

About Wish for Wheels
Wish for Wheels is a Denver based nonprofit whose mission is to change the lives of Kindergarten-2nd grade students from low-income communities through the gift of a brand new bike and helmet. Our mission is only possible because of our generous donors and partners. We operate with a unique model around corporate philanthropy which allows donors to immediately see the impact they make on a child. Wishforwheels.org

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