

## Northbrook Passes Bike Helmet Ordinance



On October 9, 2018 the Village of Northbrook passed a law requiring all children under the age of 16 to wear a properly fitted bike helmet while riding or being carried on a bike. Any person found in violation of this ordinance may be subject to a fine of up to \$50 and/or be required to perform community service work.

This law is intended to keep our children safe.

- ❑ Every year, half a million bicycle related injuries are treated in U.S. emergency rooms. About 53% of these are children.
- ❑ Research has consistently shown that helmets reduce the risk of serious head injury by up to 88% and reduce the risk of facial injury by 65%.
- ❑ In towns and states where bike helmet legislation has been adopted, bike-related head injury rates declined by 45%.

If you need financial assistance in getting a properly fitted helmet for your child please contact the Children's Health Resource Center at Advocate Children's Hospital in Park Ridge. They will provide bike helmets for \$11. Call for an appointment. (708-684-7019). Alternatively, helmets can be purchased locally at George Garner Cyclery, REI, Target and Dick's Sporting Goods.



Mention this flyer at George Garner Cyclery Northbrook to receive 20% off the price of any children's helmet.

Offer Expires December 31st, 2018.

