

## Friendship Circle Gears Up for the Great Bike Giveaway Giving Adaptive Bikes to Children with Special Needs

The Great Bike Giveaway provides adaptive bikes to children and teens with special needs

West Bloomfield, Michigan -- Nonprofit organization <u>Friendship Circle of Michigan</u> is teaming up with adaptive bike donors and companies for the 13th annual Great Bike Giveaway. Focused on children with special needs, the giveaway provides a platform to vote and raise money for children to receive an adaptive bike.

Adaptive bicycles promote better health, inclusion, and plain old fun for children with special needs. Every child, no matter what physical or cognitive disability they may have, deserves the same childhood fun that others get to experience. Many families cannot afford to spend hundreds or thousands of dollars on a bike and unfortunately, insurance companies refuse to cover the costs. The Great Bike Giveaway has made this possible by raising over 1.2 million dollars and providing over 1,500 adaptive bikes for children with special needs.

By participating in the Great Bike Giveaway, individuals are making bike riding a possibility through its fundraising platform, discounted prices on adaptive bikes and potential for matching donations. Adaptive bikes range in size, capability, and price making it easy for every family to find the bike that best meets their child's needs.

This year, individuals get a chance to win by getting the most votes in their bike category. In addition, participants with a minimum of 50 votes will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win as well. The Great Bike Giveaway is open to residents of the United States and Canada and starts on February 27th, 2024, at 12pm EST and concludes on April 11th, 2024. Voting will conclude on March 20th. Starting on February 27 participants can register, set up their campaign page and start collecting votes and donations towards their own bike.

In order to participate in the Great Bike Giveaway families, or participants will be required to complete a registration form and choose the bike they wish to fundraise for. To view a full list of available bikes and rules, or to register, please visit <a href="https://www.greatbikegiveaway.com/How-It-Works">https://www.greatbikegiveaway.com/How-It-Works</a>.

## **About Friendship Circle**

Friendship Circle has been providing assistance and support for more than 3,000 families of children with special needs since 1994. Friendship Circle pairs teen volunteers with children who have special needs and together they participate in over 30 weekly and monthly programs. To learn more about Friendship Circle visit <a href="http://www.friendshipcircle.org">http://www.friendshipcircle.org</a>. To learn more about this contest visit <a href="http://www.greatbikegiveaway.com">http://www.greatbikegiveaway.com</a>.

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