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Community Wellness Fair in Marquette Park

What? The Greater Lawn Community Wellness Fair: Window to Wellness 2008 offers health services to residents of West Lawn, Chicago Lawn, and Gage Park. All screenings and services are free:

- Screenings for adults including blood pressure, diabetes, kidney disease, and cholesterol
- HIV testing
- Dental, vision, and podiatry exams
- Lead and asthma screening for children
- Flu shots for adults
- Immunizations for children (Parents should bring their child's immunization records.)
- Information on community health resources and services
- Bike raffle: Participants will have a chance to win a bicycle. Two bikes, one girl's and one boy's, will be raffled.
- Illinois Secretary of State drivers' services. A Rules of the Road class will be held in English from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Call (312) 355-1458 to pre-register.

When? Friday, November 7, 2008, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Where? Marquette Park Fieldhouse, 6734 S. Kedzie, Chicago (southwest corner of 67th and Kedzie)

Registration/Cost: The fair is open and free to the public. No pre-registration is necessary except for the Rules of the Road class.

Who? The Illinois Prevention Research Center at the University of Illinois at Chicago and the Latino Organization of the Southwest (LOS) are sponsoring this health fair in partnership with Healthy Chicago Lawn/Chicago Department of Public Health, Holy Cross Hospital, the Latino Consortium, and the Inner-City Muslim Action Network.

Why now? November is National Diabetes Awareness Month. An estimated 24 million people in the United States have diabetes, of which 25 percent remain undiagnosed. At least 57 million US adults are at high risk for developing diabetes. Those at risk should know that the disease is preventable.

NOTE: **Media interested in attending the health fair are welcome.**