



## *Services we provide . . .*

### Bicycle Safety

Bicycle safety is a shared responsibility. Those riding bikes should be properly trained & equipped; and motorists should remain alert for bikers and remember that bicyclists have every right to safely share the roadway.

We want to do what we can to promote and assure the safety of bicyclists within our community. Officers are available to:

- Coordinate and host bicycle safety clinics
- Coordinate and participate in '*bike to school*' events
- Inspect bike helmets and provide general bike-safety tips

NOTE: While we are happy to provide these services, it remains parents' responsibilities to assure their children & teens know how to operate their bikes safely, are familiar with the laws regarding the operation of bikes in public, and that children under the age of sixteen (16) wear approved safety helmets whenever operating their bikes on public streets, sidewalks, or upon any town property. Please check out these sites to better understand our local laws and for additional bicycle safety tips:

- Town Ordinance Chapter 71 Regarding Bike Helmets
- *SafeKids* bicycle safety tips

**How to Request This Service:**

**Call (704) 841-675**

**or e-mail [communitysafety@matthewspolice.org](mailto:communitysafety@matthewspolice.org)**

The employees of the Matthews Police Department strive to promote a safe community by preventing crimes and reducing the fear of crime, while treating all individuals fairly and with respect. Our members will demonstrate honesty, professionalism and integrity, while building the partnerships necessary to enhance the safety of our community.