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## GIFTS FOR GUNS: TRADE GUNS FOR GIFT CARDS – NO QUESTIONS ASKED

- WHO:** Clearwater Police Department  
Largo Police Department  
95.7 The Beat (Clear Channel)
- WHAT:** Gifts for Guns: Gun Buyback Program
- WHEN:** June 10, 2011  
7 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- WHERE:** **3 Locations:**  
North Greenwood Recreation Complex  
900 N. Martin Luther King Avenue  
Clearwater, Fla.  
  
Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church  
400 S. Old Coachman Road  
Clearwater, Fla.  
  
Highland Presbyterian Church  
1885 Highland Avenue  
Largo, Fla.

**SUMMARY:** The Clearwater Police Department and Largo Police Department are joining forces in a new anti-crime initiative: Gifts for Guns. This gun buyback program was created to reduce gun violence and negligence. It is a proactive effort to get the community involved in reducing the number of unwanted and illegal weapons on our streets and make our community safer.

“One less illegal gun on the street is one less potential death or injury,” said Clearwater Deputy Chief Sandra Wilson. “This program also reduces the chance that a gun could be stolen and used for criminal activity.”





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This "no questions asked" program will allow people to surrender their firearms without fear of charges for illegal possession.

## **Turn in Procedure:**

1. All types of guns will be excepted
2. Gun must be unloaded
3. Gun must be sealed in a plastic bag or box marked "Gifts for Guns."
4. If you are stopped by a police officer on the way to the event, immediately tell the officer you have a weapon in your possession and are headed to the event.
5. After the gun is collected by an officer, you will select a gift card of your choice. \$100 gift card in exchange for an assault weapon and a \$50 gift card for all other guns.
6. Only bb-guns turned in by children 16 years of age or younger will receive a gift card in exchange (this is to avoid "flipping" a cheaper bb-gun for a profit).

Select gift cards include gas stations, Wal-Mart, Target and other stores and restaurants.

