



## **Renton Police Dept. continue support of children and local education**

*For 25 years, Renton Police have donated funds through Renton Police Youth Programs*

March 29, 2016— Members of Renton’s Police Department (RPD) are helping to keep children active and healthy at school and in their community through an \$8,000 donation of P.E. equipment.

RPD members this week are visiting with thousands of elementary second-grade students at every elementary school in the district to provide them with their own personal ball, hula hoop or jump rope that the children can keep and take home.

For 25 years, Renton Police have raised money through the Return to Renton Benefit Car Show and used the funding to help Renton children to lead an active lifestyle. The fundraising has netted nearly \$200,000 since 1991 for youth-oriented programs.

In the past, RPD has used the funding for many activity-related items, including providing basketball shoes for every player on the boys and girls high school varsity basketball teams. This week, Renton Police Officers are visiting elementary schools to personally present the gifts to students, and share information about health, fitness and future success.



Renton Police Officer (and School Resource Officer) Clay Deering joins in a game of four square during recess with students at Maplewood Elementary School.