



FREE



VIN ETCHING and H.E.A.T. Registration

10 a.m.— 2 p.m. September 10, 2010

University of Texas at Dallas

800 W. Campbell Rd.

Richardson, TX

The Richardson Police Department in partnership with the North Texas Auto Theft Task Force and UTD, will be offering free VIN etchings and conducting H.E.A.T. registrations on Friday, September 10, 2010. This is a pre-National Night Out 2010 event. Bring your car to UTD at 800 W. Campbell Rd. in Richardson, between 10am and 2pm to have your car's VIN etched into each window. VIN etching is used to deter auto theft. Car thieves who steal cars for resale or for parts will tend to avoid vehicles that have the glass etched with a VIN. VIN etching reduces the criminal's profit, associated with replacing a vehicle's windows and the windows themselves becoming worthless for resale. The H.E.A.T. (Help End Auto Theft) registration program places a sticker on your vehicle and registers it in a statewide database used by law enforcement in Texas. H.E.A.T. registration allows Police to stop the vehicle if it is operating between the hours of 1:00am and 5:00am to determine if the driver is the owner. The event is conducted on a first come first serve basis and only takes minutes to complete and is free of charge. The Richardson Police Department will also be collecting canned food donations for the Network of Community Ministries. If it should rain, the event will be re-scheduled and details will be published at a later time. Contact the Richardson Police Department, Crime Prevention Unit for additional information at 972-744-4955.

