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## Kids learn about safety

Growing Children Learning Center was site of event.

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ELKHART — It was a busy Friday the 13th for Robbie the police dog. Along with other representatives from safety organizations around Elkhart County, Robbie was helping children at Growing Children Learning Center learn about safety.

About 100 kids crawled through a smoke house, tried out yoga and played safety bingo as well as met the police dog Friday at the center in Elkhart. Representatives from seven local safety and health organizations were on campus teaching about and demonstrating safety tips. The Elkhart Fire Department brought its smoke house demonstration, a Department of Natural Resources officer showed life preservers for boating and Elkhart General Hospital showed children how to be safe in the sun.

The event was put on by Safe Kids of Elkhart County.



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Indiana Department of Natural Resources conservation officer Mark Hines demonstrates a Coast Guard-approved flotation coat with Growing Kids Learning Center student Kayden during a safety event at the center on Bristol Street in Elkhart on Friday.