

## CHICAGO CHAPTER OF IFMA CATCH THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT



(Pictured, left to right) Mike Joyce, Isreal, Idonije, Manuel Rodriguez, George Cortez, , Ranju Ahuja, Marie Coffee, Gretchen McGinn, Sam Rushing Natalie Boe, Cristina Parrilla, Traci Sala and Caree Martens.

On Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, volunteers from the Chicago Chapter of IFMA, the Mobile Strike Force and more than 40 neighborhood police officers and staff from the Chicago Police Department's Area 2 districts 4, 5, 6 and 22 supported the Isreal Idonije Foundation's (IIF) IZZYz KIDz Shop with a Cop event.

The volunteers and more than 60 economically disadvantaged Chicago Public School students



participated in bowling and shopping to celebrate the holidays and establish a positive relationship between the CPD and the students. IFMA volunteers assisted the students, who ranged from kindergarten to 8th grade, bowl and shop within their allotted budget



The efforts on behalf of IIF and CPD are continued attempts at developing a partnership between local law enforcement agencies and youth in the Roseland and Englewood





communities as a means to reduce neighborhood violence and crime.



Students from Alex Haley Academy, Benjamin Banneker, Carrie Jacobs Bond and Perkins Bass Elementary Schools participated in the holiday event. The students received a \$100 gift card courtesy of IIF and Target. A great time was had by all!



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