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Mary Wik, 7, of Farmington Hills has a few years to go before she buys her first car, but she eyed the market at the Detroit Auto Show. Another Farmington Hills resident, Ed Getter, found something to his liking at the show, too. Getter won \$1,000 in the Automobile State special events lottery, Jan. 13.

## City police budget gets minor Fed boost

The Farmington Public Safety Department's salary account will get a little help from the federal government.

But the government's \$8,183 will put a small dent in the \$337,000 police salary budget, according to City Mgr. Robert Deadman.

The Anti-Recession Fiscal Assistance Allocations were given on the basis of the city's unemployment rate minus 4.5 per cent.

"The City of Farmington's rate of unemployment, as estimated, has averaged 9.23 per cent for the three quarters prior to Jan. 1, 1977," Deadman said.

The money has been put toward salaries to simplify the bookkeeping involved in keeping within federal regulations.

"Payments may not be used to initiate a service not provided by the city for the last two fiscal years," Deadman explained.

"It is apparent that the program doesn't allow the funds to be used for capital improvement items. It is the primary purpose of these funds to maintain the current level of service and employment within the local unit of government," he said.

Federal regulations require Farmington to report any change in its tax rate, any reduction of more than five per cent in the number of full-time employees or any decrease in the level of service which is more than five per cent of the city's total operating budget.

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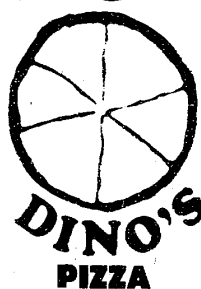
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