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**BURNSVILLE POLICE, LOCAL BUSINESS PARTNER FOR  
'LIGHTS ON!' INITIATIVE**

*Program Provides Free Vehicle Light Repair for Those in Need*

Through a partnership with Crosstown Auto Repair (900 W. Burnsville Parkway) and the “Lights On! Initiative,” the Burnsville Police Department will be helping those in need get their broken headlights, taillights and marker lights repaired on their vehicles.

As part of the program, Burnsville patrol officers will have vouchers available in their squad cars to provide to individuals who may need financial assistance repairing or replacing a broken or burned out vehicle light.

“We understand that there are a lot of people out there in difficult financial situations, but that doesn’t make them bad people,” said Burnsville Police Captain Jef Behnken. “This initiative will help those who maybe can’t afford to fix their lights an ability to get safely back on the road.”

While the Burnsville Police Department has partnered with Crosstown Auto Repair, several repair shops around the metropolitan area have joined law enforcement efforts to donate labor for repairing or replacing lights (auto shops are reimbursed by the “Lights On!” for any parts). A driver with a voucher will be able to get their lights fixed free-of-charge at any of the participating locations.

*Lights On! is a Minneapolis-based non-profit organization dedicated to helping low-income individuals break the cycle of poverty. For more information visit [www.lightsonus.org](http://www.lightsonus.org).*

*For more information on the Burnsville Police Department visit [www.burnsvillemn.gov/police](http://www.burnsvillemn.gov/police).*

*(photo below)*



**Cutline:** (From L to R) Crosstown Auto Repair owner Perry Linn; Lights On! Program Director Sherman Patterson; Burnsville Police Captain Jef Behnken; and Lights On! CEO Don Samuels.