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It pays to be good! Thanks to 7-Eleven and its Operation Chill program, Burleson Police officers have coupons for a free small Slurpee for youngsters who are caught in the act of doing something good.

If a child helps another person, deters crime, or participates in a positive activity in Burleson, he or she could get a coupon. David Wardlaw, the community resource officer for the Burleson Police Department, distributed coupons he received from 7-11's David Moorman to the department's patrol sergeants, who will pass them on to the officers. The police department has three shifts of officers, so they are looking out for good behavior 24 hours a day. It's kind of like a summertime Santa!

Operation Chill was developed by 7-11 in 1995 to reward and encourage good behavior in children during the hot summer months when communities nationwide might see increases in loitering, shoplifting and graffiti. Since 1995, more than 12.5 million Operation Chill coupons have been distributed to hundreds of law enforcement agencies, nationwide, in communities where 7-11 stores operate. Within the last year, 7-11, opened three stores (100 N Burleson Blvd., 898 NE Alsbury Blvd., and 980 N. John Jones Dr.) inside Burleson's city limits.

7-11 is also a national sponsor of National Night Out, which is slated for Tuesday, Aug. 5, 6 p.m.-9 p.m., citywide. For more information about National Night Out, go to [www.burlesontx.com/NNO](http://www.burlesontx.com/NNO).