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## State Headlines

### ANN ARBOR

#### Runaways' planned Mexico trip nipped in Ann Arbor

Three teenage girls who police say ran away from their Upper Peninsula homes in a stolen car bound for Mexico are being held at the Washtenaw County juvenile jail.

The 14-year-old girls were arrested Monday after they stopped to visit friends in Ann Arbor.

Police Detective Sgt. Jeff Connelly told The Ann Arbor News formal charges are pending as the girls wait for their parents to arrive.

Police say the girls stole a Ford Contour in Ishpeming early Monday.

### LANSING

#### Granholm, husband urge adults to become mentors

Governor Jennifer Granholm and her husband are encouraging more Michigan residents to become mentors to children.

Nearly 3,500 children are waiting to be placed with a mentor in the state.

Men especially are needed to mentor boys.

Sixty-one percent of the state's mentors are female and just 39 percent are male. More minority mentors are needed, too.

To volunteer, people should visit [www.mentormichigan.org](http://www.mentormichigan.org)

Granholm and her husband, Dan Mulhern, both mentor children in the Lansing area.

Granholm said at a news conference that 20,600 people are mentoring children in Michigan,

about 11,500 more than were counted four years ago.

### DETROIT

#### UD Mercy offers bonuses to workers who move to city

The University of Detroit Mercy is offering its 850 employees cash incentives to move to neighborhoods near the school's three campuses.

Workers would get \$5,000 toward a down payment on a house. Meanwhile JVS, a nonprofit human services organization in Southfield, will partner with the Catholic university to help employees secure an additional \$5,000 through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The Detroit Free Press says the program is voluntary and open to all full-time employees.