

Salem teen's bike sold while he shops

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SALEM, Ore. - The 13-year-old owner of a black BMX bike said his bicycle was mistakenly sold by a Salem, Ore., Goodwill store while he was shopping at the thrift shop. Cody Young said he parked his Hoffman Rhythm 18, which cost \$232 when he purchased it in 2004, inside the thrift store because he didn't have a lock with him, and the bike was mistakenly sold by the store for \$6.99 while he was looking at speakers, the (Salem) Statesman-Journal reported Thursday. The teen said his friends told him they had parked their bikes inside the store on previous occasions. However, the store said Cody's bike had been left near an overflow area of bikes for sale. "There's plenty of blame to go around," said David Young, the teenager's father. "But it's still Cody's bike, and they had no right to sell it." Goodwill Industries officials said they are looking into the incident. "We will make every effort to do the right thing," spokesman Bob Barsocchini said, "and we will throw in a bike lock."

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