



2018 PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS and ANNUAL REPORT

OUR MISSION

Bike Newport's mission is to create the conditions that lead to more people biking more often, and to ensure that bicycling is a viable, safe and comfortable primary choice for transportation and recreation. We do this through cross-supportive work in our three core areas: Road user education, infrastructure advocacy, and building bicycle culture.

While this document doesn't list all of our programs, progress, and participants, we hope it provides an exciting overview of the year's highlights.

OUR VALUES

(Thanks for asking!)

The people, programs, policies and practices at Bike Newport reflect our core values.

- People on bikes experience joy, health, self-reliance, and increased autonomy.
- All road users have rights and responsibilities in the use of public roads. All road users are entitled to equitable accommodation.
- Like automobile drivers, pedestrians, and other road users, bike riders are individually responsible for their compliance with road use regulations. Individuals' errant behaviors should not reflect upon the wider community of bike riders.
- We believe in the power of culture and community to create positive change and we work to develop a bike community and culture that is bigger than, and independent of, Bike Newport.
- We consider and include all members of the community in our work and make special efforts to overcome institutional and historic barriers to equal participation in our organization and in our work.
- We believe in providing fair wages and appropriate benefits to all who work for us.
- We pursue equitable and inclusive access to bikes, bikeways and other bike resources, especially those provided directly by Bike Newport — as a model to other providers.
- We believe that bicycles offer real and practical solutions to important community problems and needs, including affordable transportation, public health, economic justice, pollution reduction, traffic congestion, and road safety among others.



ROAD USER EDUCATION

Where our goal is to establish a strong and sustainable community system to provide and expand knowledge of best bike riding and road-sharing practices.

- 2018 was the year of **the Big Blue Bike Barn!** Partners from the City, Newport Public Schools, Newport Health Equity Zone, Aquidneck Land Trust, Newport County YMCA, Aquidneck Community Table, Newport Housing Authority and many more local agencies helped us to envision and plan an expanded campus and programs on Newport North End, where our youth and other residents of all ages can gather to play and practice and build confidence and skills to integrate healthy sustainable biking into our daily lives. Land provided by the Newport Housing Authority and seed funds from Rhode Island Foundation, Powered by Prince, the Bazarsky Family Foundation, and van Beuren Charitable Foundation, together with the support of bicycle enthusiasts citywide are making the dream real. Plans include siting two 40' shipping containers, and adding shelter designed by students from Roger Williams School of Architecture; furniture fabricated from locally sourced wood; solar power; rain collection barrels; food and pollinator gardens, paths connecting to Miantonomi bike trails; and a 1000 sq ft Pump Track. The excitement is palpable, and we're moving fast - because the kids are waiting!
- **The Bike Garage** continues to serve the community with programs that teach bike safety, skills, maintenance, repair and security. And we DIT – do it together. Nearly 2000 visits to more than 200 Open Garage sessions, and over 300 bicycles collected, restored and distributed in the community. Out of the waste stream and back onto the street! To support these endeavors, we trained and engaged nine bike educators to teach bike safety and basic mechanical skills through Earn-a-Bike, Adopt-a-Bike and Borrow-a-Bike programs. The Bike Garage is open four days every week: three evenings and one afternoon and is staffed by educators and bicycle mechanics.
- **Garaje en Español** – in 2018 we hired our first native-Spanish-speaking educators and spread the word at area agencies, shops, and community organizations. Additionally, we work with the weekly publication Newport This Week to provide active transportation updates for their Spanish-language weekly column. We began the process of translating all of our communications – pamphlets, signage, posters, and instructional materials – into Spanish. We are experiencing a steady climb in Spanish-language activity at the Bike Garage and Bike Library and remain committed to serving the Spanish-speaking population with bilingual communications across our initiatives.
- **Bike Education classes** include road safety, bike handling skills, and basic bike maintenance and repair for participants covering the range of interests, experience, and abilities and are presented in partnership with RI Department of Transportation Division of Highway Safety. One of our most popular classes, "Conversate, Motivate, and Ride" helps adults who want to ride bikes gain confidence and experience together. Our more advanced City Riding and bike repair classes help more experienced bicyclists to safely and comfortably navigate busy streets. In 2018, we expanded our work with youth with Autism and other developmental challenges together with Newport Public Schools and began plans for work with people with mental health challenges. Studies regarding the

mental and physical health improvements that come with the freedom and self-awareness of biking are plentiful and we are working to ensure that those benefits are available to everyone.

- “Love the Ocean? Ride a Bike” at the **Volvo Ocean Race**. Newport - the only stopover in North America - saw 10,000 people each day and was recognized worldwide as the most ecological/sustainable port in this around-the-world race. Biking was prominent with bike routes to the event, plenty of bike parking, and bike fun at the Exploration Zone – where folks practiced bike know-how and habits that contribute to reduction in CO2 emissions and other waste.
- **Rhode Island Waves** - Our road safety campaign “Newport Waves” first hit the Newport scene in 2015, encouraging people biking, walking and driving to improve safety by confirming they are seen – with a two-part wave. “Do you see me?” and “Yes, I see you.” In 2018, at the invitation of RI Department of Transportation and National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, we took the campaign statewide as “Rhode Island Waves”. Taking their cues from local celebrities Mario Hilario, Barnaby Evans, Jim Nellis and the Gargoyle from Ten31 Studios, people on bicycles and walking learn to “Be Noticed” for safer streets. Please always confirm you are seen – do the wave!

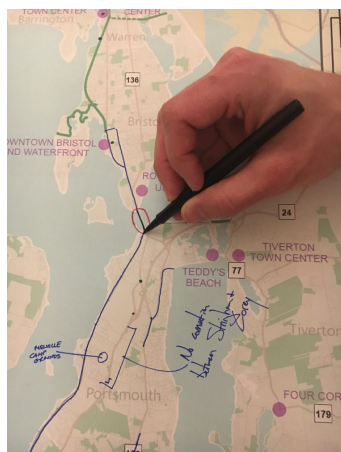


ADVOCACY for INFRASTRUCTURE

Where our goal is to establish complete streets principles as the prevailing approach to roadway design and improvements in Newport. Complete streets enable safe access for all road users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists, and transit riders of all ages and abilities.

- Bike Newport participates and plays a leadership role in numerous local, regional, and statewide active transportation committees and collaboratives in order to advance vital bike path and road connections statewide.
 - o The state’s **Transportation Advisory Committee**
 - o The **Paths to Progress** coalition for advising statewide bike path planning
 - o The state’s **Bicycle Mobility Plan** Advisory Committee
 - o The state’s **Highway Safety** Advisory Committee
 - o Newport HEZ **Active Transportation** Group
 - o Newport **Bicycle and Pedestrian** Advisory Group

- Sitting on the state's Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), Bike Newport Executive Director, Bari Freeman, is a member of the review team for bicycle and pedestrian projects and funding in the ten-year State Transportation Plan (STIP) that includes such projects as the coming side paths on Portsmouth's East Main Road and the coming First Mile Bikeway in Newport. This Committee also reviewed and recommended projects to be funded by the combined \$15 million for bike infrastructure in the 2016 and 2018 Green Economy Bond, bringing additional funds for paths to Aquidneck and Conanicut Islands.
- We brought the vital Aquidneck Island bicyclist lens to **RI Moving Forward** - the State's **Long Range Transportation Plan** (LRTP) planning process. In addition to advising improvements to RI's connected transportation network at local workshops, Bike Newport hosted a '**Mapathon**' to gather input/perspective from community members on needed bicycle routes and amenities. We compiled and shared this feedback with Statewide Planning to inform the first **RI Bicycle Mobility Plan** (BMP), one component of the LRTP.
- Bike Newport staff members attended the annual **Bike Summit** in Washington DC produced by the League of American Bicyclists. Following two days of advocacy- focused workshops, they visited our congressional delegation and their staff, including US Senators Reed and Whitehouse, and US Representatives Cicilline and Langevin to discuss national legislation and funding, as well as local updates.
- Together with the resident members of the City's **Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee** (BPAC) we are reviewing and recommending updates to the city's ordinances related to bicycle and pedestrians, and review street improvement plans for adherence to Complete Streets principles as guided by the City's Complete Streets Policy. We also continue to work toward making the policy into enforceable law.
- The **RI Bridge Bike Shuttle** provided free shuttle service over the Pell and Verrazano bridges, making it possible for day-trippers and bike-tourers to cross the otherwise bike-forbidden bridges from the mainland to Conanicut and Aquidneck Islands. We are working very closely with the supportive administration of the RI Turnpike and Bridge Authority (RITBA) to plan bicycle and pedestrian accommodation on all of our bridges. Businesses that made the Bridge Bike Shuttle possible included Newport County YMCA, Preservation Society of Newport County, Reynolds DeWalt, Standard Modern, VH, Barnum Financial Group AAA Northeast, Newport Restaurant Group, and People's Credit Union.



COMMUNITY AND CULTURE

Where our goal is to build Newport's community of active, informed and supportive participants in bicycling and bicycling organizations.

- May, 2018 saw the **first car-free Farm-to-Farm bike ride** in Portsmouth – ridden by 450 cyclists of all ages along three miles of open road. How wonderful to see care-free children and worry-free parents here on Aquidneck Island's usually car-centric roads. As we work toward separated bike lanes and off-road bike paths, these all-important events help build bicycle confidence, community, and culture.
- There's nothing that says camaraderie and encouragement like getting greasy together and that's what happened at our **Ladies Only nights** at the Bike Garage.
- We held three summer **Full Moon Bike Rides** in partnership with New Belgium Brewery – culminating in the awarding of a New Belgium city ride bike to one of the summer-long riders!
- **Bike to Work Day** was based at City Hall, started with a Bike Commuter Breakfast, and ended with a city bike loop and then a group ride to the Volvo Ocean Race at Fort Adams.
- **Bike to School Day** recognized Thompson Middle School walkers and cyclists with fanfare and raffle prizes.
- The Bike Newport Board of Directors sponsored the **Bike Love Film Party** at Jane Pickens Theater, showcasing 12 short films from Filmed By Bike and sponsored by New Belgium
- **Elliot's Ride for Everyone** was sponsored by P3GM Bike Share and welcomed people of all skills and abilities to ride together along the coastline from Brenton Point. Evolving into a cost-free business-sponsored community event, Elliot's Ride features a message of encouragement, equity, and inclusiveness, as more people from Newport's many neighborhoods experience the city's ocean coastline on two wheels – many for the first time!
- We broke records again – routing, supporting, and parking up to 1800 bicyclists each day at the **Newport Folk Festival**. At 18% of festival capacity, it appears we topped the charts for the highest percentage of music festival attendees arriving by bicycle in the USA. Biking to Newport's many summer events helps reduce traffic congestion, reduce wear and tear on our roads and landscape, reduce harmful carbon emissions, and provide a more pleasant experience for residents and visitors alike. Every person who bikes in Newport contributes to the quality of place that we all embrace. Say thanks to people on bikes - because #bikesaresolutions.
- Other **seasonal rides** included the Tour de Jonquilles ride, which took cyclists from Touro to Ballard Park to view over 850,000 Daffodils planted around Newport, and the Tour de Fright costume ride in October. In recognition of Pride Month, we held the first ever Newport Pride Ride and downtown bike parade. We decorated bicycles in red, white, and blue for the Fourth of July Bike Parade to the Independence Day festivities in Washington Square. And, of course, we brought back Pie Jousting to the Broadway Street Fair.



FINANCIAL SUMMARY

for the 12 months ended December 31, 2018

INCOME

Direct Public Support	57,308
Grant Revenue	386,606
Sponsors	38,818
Program Revenue	14,756
Event Revenue	12,781
Other Income	<u>1,042</u>

Total Income in 2018: \$511,311

EXPENSES

Education	137,603
Community	92,202
Infrastructure/Advocacy	100,642
Fundraising	70,054
Operations:	<u>101,459</u>

Total Expenses in 2018: \$501,960

DONORS 2018

Bike Newport depends on the generosity of foundations, government and private agencies, businesses and individuals to improve bicycling and encourage more people to choose bicycling for transportation and recreation. These supporters recognize the promise of cycling to our health, economy, environment, quality of life and quality of place. On behalf of all who benefit from bicycling progress – thank you!

If you are aware of an omission or error in this list, please accept our apology and let us know so we can correct our records - thank you!

GEARS \$10,000 & UP

Anonymous
Sarah Atkins
Bazarsky Family Foundation
De Ramel Foundation
Gruben Charitable Foundation
Kaminitz Family Charitable Fund
Rhode Island Department of Transportation
Rhode Island Foundation
RITBA Foundation
van Beuren Charitable Foundation

FRAMES: up to \$10,000

Hamilton Family Foundation
Reynolds deWalt /Standard Modern

CRANKS: up to \$5,000

AAA Northeast
Aquidneck Land Trust
Barnum Financial Group
Bike to the Beach
BnV Charitable Fund
Firestone Foundation

Don & Jana Jagoe
Merritt Neighborhood Fund
Scott Nanfelt
Newport Festivals
Newport Restaurant Group
P3GM
People for Bikes
People's Credit Union
Powered by Prince / Frederick H Prince Memorial
Fund of Newport Hospital
Preservation Society of Newport County
RIPTA
Paul Simone
Sydney Strasser
Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc
Matt and Amanda Ward
Murray Wilmerding
Women's Resource Center

WHEELS: up to \$1,000

Lisabeth Bourret
Lauren Carson
Community Foundation
Corrigan Financial, Inc.
Aaron Davis & Soad Mahir
DCG Synergy Foundation
Discover Newport
Jane Pickens Theater & Events Center
Steve MacAusland & Anita Schell
Joshua McKinney-Zarrilli
Miss Swinburne Fund
Laura Murphy
New England Mountain Bike Association
Newport Running Club
Patagonia on Thames
The Pyle Fund of Greater Worcester
James Ryan

PEDALS: up to \$500

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Aquidneck Island Planning Commission
Aquidneck Pediatrics
Jeff Bandola
Bike-On.com
Tom Blaney

Peter & Gretchen Bloom
Nancy Bragard
Bristol Marine
Nancy Bromberg
John Burton
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Kelly & Clint Clemens
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Guy Cummings
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Newport Family and Cosmetic Dentistry
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Martha Parker
Phoenix Bulk Carriers

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Rhode Island Farm Bureau Federation
Christopher & Tiffany Ryan
Susan Schlein
Deken Schmidt
Deborah Smith
Linda & Peter Smith
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Stein Family Foundation
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Judy Webb
Charles Whitehouse
Marsha Wilson
Worldways Social Marketing
John Yates
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Chip Young

SPOKES: up to \$100

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Aquidneck Pediatrics
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Lisa Aurecchia
Brendon & Silvia Anderson
Mary Bandura
Robert Billington
Gretchen & Peter Bloom
Corey Bobba
Katherine & Michael Bowers
Jamie Bova
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Kathleen & Matt Breede
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