Community Cycles 2018 Annual Report

Year at a Glance

Members (annually renewing paid members): 2,489

Number of members who used the shop and for how many hours:
682 unique members used the shop in 2018 for a total of 4065 hours

Mailing list - Number who subscribe to e-news:
12,111 - Community Cycles e-news, the Boulder Bike Beat

Volunteer Hours: 4400 (335 unique volunteers)

Community Service Hours: 317 Community Service volunteers worked a total of 2612 hours

Workshops: 1553 attendees participated in 225 workshops

Complete Mechanic Series Graduates:
Last year - 30 people completed the 5 series offered

Earn a Bike (EAB) Grads: 58 people received bicycles, safety gear, and a Community Cycles membership

Kids’ Holiday Bike Giveaway: 515 bikes given away to low-income kids and families

Completed TANF (Temporary Aid to Needy Families) forms:
We served 755 low-income families and Boulder County residents.

Affordable Bike sales: 1,362 bikes for $260,967
Programs

**Kids’ Holiday Bike Giveaway:** We repair and tune over 500 children’s bikes every year, thanks to our staff and volunteer mechanics. Working with local social service and educational organizations, we gift these bikes to children participating in the Free and Reduced Lunch Program, who would not otherwise receive a bicycle. Boulder Community Health, a project partner, donates helmets for each child. In 2018, funding from the City of Boulder’s Health Equity Fund allowed us to expand outreach, reaching 35% more families than ever before, and to provide warm and healthy refreshments on a cold December day! In 2018, a grant from the Health Equity Fund assisted us in providing year-round cycling support for our low-income friends and neighbors in Boulder.

**Walk & Bike Month/ Bike to Work Day/ Winter Bike to Work Day:** Community Cycles coordinates Winter Bike to Work day and Walk & Bike Month for the City of Boulder. These events encourage and celebrate our cycling community. In June 2018 more than 8,500 Boulder residents participated in Bike to Work Day.

**Community Bike Shop:** Our shop sells affordable used bikes and parts. All Boulder residents, including our low-income friends and neighbors, have access to bike care, repair and support from our community. Our workshop is staffed by a full-time teaching mechanic and volunteers who help members learn to maintain their bikes.

**Workshops:** Community Cycles offers up to five workshops a week on topics including Fix a Flat, Maintenance 101, Wheel Building, Winter Bike Commuting, Bicycle Touring, Disk Brakes, and more. Many workshops are free or low cost. No one is turned away if they cannot afford to pay.

**Complete Bike Mechanics Series (CMS) and Women Trans* Femme (WTF) Workshops:** This six-week intensive class explores every aspect of building and repairing a bike. This class comes with a text book and has homework assignments. WTF is taught by women instructors.

**Earn-A-Bike (EAB):** Low-income residents, people without homes and Work-Release clients referred to us through the Boulder County Sheriff receive a free bicycle, safety gear, and basic bike maintenance and safety education in exchange for volunteer hours at our shop.

**Transitions:** In partnership with Boulder Valley School District’s Transitions Program and the Aaron Tuneberg Memorial Foundation, Community Cycles offers an extended one-on-one program teaching bicycle mechanics to young adults with learning disabilities through the BVSD Transitions Program. This program runs throughout the school year. Paid summer internships at Community Cycles are also available to students who complete this program. Two students from this program have gone on to paid internship positions at
B-Cycle and Community Cycles, and 20 students have completed the program.

**Luke Harding Scholarship:** Supported by an endowment with the Community First Foundation, with generous support from the Harding/Udall family, this program offers full scholarships to the Complete Mechanics Series classes to young adults seeking to pursue a career in bike mechanics or a related field. Over 25 young people have benefitted from this scholarship program, which began in 2015.

**Community Outreach & Summer Camp:** Community Cycles outreach staff and volunteers work on a number of public information programs throughout the year. In 2018, outreach staff taught more than 50 workshops on bicycling, bike mechanics, and how to be a bike commuter, at health fairs, schools, neighborhood events, workplaces and community events. We promote safe riding, conducting helmet fits and bike rodeos, give away bike lights, bells and bike maps, instruct people how to ride bikes and share the road with vehicles, and help people find connections to transit. For two weeks in the summer, outreach staff teach bike maintenance and repair, safe riding skills and wayfinding to children ages 6 - 11 through our summer camp program. Over 20 campers had fun on the bike paths, and grew their safe cycling skills.

**Community Cycles Advocacy Committee (CCAC):** The CCAC works with City and County staff and planners to build more and better bicycle infrastructure in the region, to ensure cycling is safe and available for all, especially those who rely on bicycling for daily transportation and commuting. In 2018, CCAC contributed thousands of hours to meetings and preparations and wrote hundreds of letters to government agencies and the media. Projects include the Low Stress Network, Vision Zero, the Transportation Master Plan update, Pedestrian Plan, Intersections improvements (Regent/Colorado, 29th/Baseline, 30th/Colorado & Baseline/Rayleigh), North Broadway, North 19th, the Diagonal Bike Path, development reviews impacting cyclists & pedestrians, Neighborhood Speed Management Program, Signal Policy, and Design and Construction Standards.

Thank you for supporting better biking in Boulder County!