

Bike Newport Annual Report 2016



The Bike Newport mission is to improve, encourage and facilitate bicycling in and around Newport for the health and well-being of our youth and families and as a viable and enjoyable method of transportation for residents and visitors.

Progress on the Path to Bike Friendly!

Since our founding in 2011, we have been working to integrate biking and the benefits of a bike-friendly community into the Newport experience for residents, visitors, and businesses. For all the right reasons – health, environment, economy, preservation - we are advancing biking as a primary choice for transportation and recreation. Bike Newport is now a recognized and trusted bicycling advocate and leader for the city, region, and state.

In 2016, we experienced an exponential increase in activity when we moved first to Spring Street and then to Broadway – visible and accessible in the heart of the city. Average daily visits shot up from 0 to 30 in just a few weeks.

In our Community Bike Project, we collected, restored and distributed nearly 200 discarded bicycles throughout the community. Professional mechanics, bike geeks, and everyone who has interest in riding all came together to share know-how, parts and tools to get donated bikes in rideable and road-worthy condition.

Our dedicated classes for youth, ladies, new riders, and other affinity groups continue to grow as do our Open Garage sessions – helping more people learn skills, overcome concerns, and get in the saddle, while we continue to improve the conditions and amenities for bike riding in and around our beautiful City by the Sea.

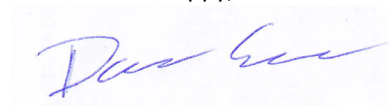
In 2016, our dedicated advocacy work led to finally achieving state funding for the First Mile of protected bike path on Aquidneck Island. We hope to break ground in 2017 on this shared use path in Newport's rail corridor, connecting downtown Newport with our North Side, running 1.7 miles between the Visitors Center and the Community College of Rhode Island (CCRI). The path will provide a beautiful and healthful active transportation option to connect our visitors and residents to all that Newport offers. We also hope the First Mile is the beginning of the ultimate Aquidneck Island Bikeway – running all the way to the Mount Hope and Sakonnet Bridges, connecting Aquidneck Island with the rest of the state.

We partner with RIDOT, RIPTA, Discover Newport, and numerous City agencies to improve the Newport experience by reducing traffic and parking stresses and improving road safety for all. Our historic city benefits as people shift out of cars and buses to gentler transportation choices.

Please continue to be a part of Bike Newport in 2017! Volunteer. Donate. Take a class. Attend events. Become an annual member with any gift of \$25 or more. Spread the bike love and ask your friends and family to join and support Bike Newport, too.

With your help, we continue on the path of bike-friendly progress. Thank you!!

Ride safe and happy,



Dawn Euer
Board Chair



Bari Freeman
Executive Director

2016: The Year in Review

JANUARY

- We started the year on solid financial footing after a successful End-of-Year Campaign that included a generous match.
- The year opened with advocacy activity for bicycle improvements in three planning documents:
 - the 2017-2025 State Transportation Improvement Plan
 - the Newport Open Space Plan
 - the Newport Comprehensive Land Use Plan

FEBRUARY

- The First Mile of Bike Path was included as a primary feature of the Open Space Commission's proposed master plan. We advocated for the path to continue farther north to CCRI to best serve our North End neighborhoods, businesses, and schools.
- We succeeded in the first step of securing a place for bike infrastructure funding in the proposed statewide Green Economy Bond - \$10M of the \$35M.
- Valerie Larkin joined the Bike Newport Board of Directors. She is a long-time bicycle enthusiast and advocate for bicycle infrastructure and road-sharing education.
- New bike racks came to Broadway, Bellevue Avenue and [Panera Bread](#). [Zip Car](#) sponsored racks were installed adjacent to [IYRS](#) on Lower Thames.

MARCH

- More than 200 guests and 67 bike supporting businesses helped to raise more than \$7,000 for bicycle safety education at our annual Bike Newport Night party at Midtown Oyster Bar.
- Executive Director, Bari Freeman; Education Manager, Henri Venable; and Outreach Coordinator Mary Ellen Lynch joined bike advocates from across the country at the National Bike Summit in Washington DC.
- After the Summit, we teamed up with [Rhode Island Bicycle Coalition](#) and [East Coast Greenway Alliance](#) to visit our congressional delegation to discuss transportation funding with our congressional delegation.

APRIL

- As the City reclaimed 437 Broadway for major repair, we found a temporary home at a former car detailing garage at 29 Spring Street, thanks to the generosity of owner Butch Murray. We would use the short-term opportunity to show what was possible if we brought administration and program under one roof right in the heart of town.
- Kellen Farnham, attorney and project manager, joined the Bike Newport team as Development Director.

- The 4th annual Elliot Kaminitz Father's Day Ride launched at the [Newport County YMCA](#) along with other event partners - [Fort Adams Trust](#), and the [RIDOT Highway Safety Program](#).

MAY

- With the support of dozens of volunteers - we renovated 29 Spring Street and created a bike culture hub in the heart of downtown! More visible, more accessible, and busier than ever before.
- [Bike Newport](#) hosted a local Cyclofemme Ride, part of Global Women's Cycling Day
- More than 100 bike commuters enjoyed a breakfast spread on Bike to Work Day - and ended the day with a city loop group ride.
- [Fastnet Pub](#) was named the 2016 Bike Friendly Business of the Year.
- Hot off the press: we released 15,000 copies of the new and improved 2016 Newport County Bicycle Map. Bigger and better, now including Tiverton, and Little Compton - chock full of information, maps, and resources.

JUNE

- [Bike Newport](#) advocated for bicycle infrastructure plans with the Newport Open Space Partnership
- The fourth annual Elliot Kaminitz Father's Day Ride welcomed families of every shape, size and definition to ride together and celebrate at Fort Adams State Park.
- [Rogers HS](#) student and bicyclist Eli Prendergast was the deserving recipient of our first annual Rogers High School Senior Award.
- We welcomed mountain biking enthusiast Emma Graley, a student at LaSalle College, as our 2017 summer college intern.
- [Bike Newport](#) joined the HEZ summer launch party celebrating healthy communities!
- [Panera Bread](#) dedicated their new Mother Bread Bike Rack, honoring long-time customer and cyclist Art Weekley who lost his life to a bike accident in 2014. After the ribbon cutting, all enjoyed a dinner in support of [Bike Newport's](#) safer-cycling programs.

JULY

- New programs launched at the Bike Garage, including Bike Safe Sessions, Roll Models, and Ladies Nights.
- Our high capacity event racks were used to encourage more people to bike to local events and activities, including Art After Dark at the Newport Art Museum, outdoor screenings for [newportFILM](#), and many more summer destinations.
- Lots of smiles at the annual Fourth of July Bike Parade accompanying the Newport Artillery Company from Ellery Park to Washington Square.
- A new bike safety poster featuring the Giant Cycling Squid of Narragansett Bay made its debut all over town.
- We guided, welcomed and parked up to 1400 bikes/day at the Newport Folk Festival! 3900 bicycles over three days. Folk Yeah!!
- After a crew of volunteers tuned up a fleet from our donated bike collection, visiting dancers for [Island Moving Company's](#) Great Friends Dance Festival had wheels for their stay in Newport.

AUGUST

- 58 participants rode to honor Mary Wilk, the 22-year-old outdoor enthusiast who died after being struck by a car on Route 1 in South Kingstown while guiding a youth bicycle group. The two-mile silent ride called attention to the presence of people on bicycles and the need for motorists to pay attention to the road and road user safety.

SEPTEMBER

- We again led the Ride RI metric century (62 miles) with Bike to the Beach, from Woonsocket to Newport.
- 15 Salve Regina University students conducted road audits on bikes and on foot as part of their fall community service
- Fall Recycling Day Bike Rescue collected 18 bikes for repair, parts, and redistribution.

OCTOBER

- Surveys, Surveys, Surveys! What gets measured gets managed. Bike Newport took the annual pulse of local riders. Hearing about rider experiences with biking in Newport helps us evaluate and improve our programs and initiatives, while also increasing our awareness of issues facing the community.

NOVEMBER

- Just in time for Daylight Savings Time, we held our Night Bright workshop to teach best practices for night riding. 200 lighting sets were distributed to lower-income bicycle-dependent workers.
- “Fall Back and Light Up”, an island-wide bike light sale, also coincided with the shift to Daylight Savings Time.
- Bike Newport moved operations to 62 Broadway – our sixth location in five years – but our first long-term lease! The new location allowed us to continue to conduct programs side by side with administration, while also giving more space for planning meetings, classes, community gatherings, and more.
- The Green Economy Bond was passed by the voters of Rhode Island, designating \$10MM of the \$35MM funds for bicycle infrastructure improvements statewide.

DECEMBER

- Chipotle Fundraiser: The Chipotle in Middletown donated 50% of purchases to support Bike Newport.
- Partnering with the RI Council on the Humanities and Catalyzing Newport, we presented the Full Moon Sensory Ride: making stops along the way to experience and reflect on Newport's sounds, tastes, sights, touches, and scents.
- Thanks to the generosity and confidence of numerous donors and supporters, we successfully reached and exceeded a \$25,000 end-of-year fundraising matching grant challenge.

Bike Newport Financial Summary

for the 12 months ended December 31, 2016

INCOME	
Direct Public Support	\$121,522
Grant Revenue	144,803
Program Revenue	8,835
Event Revenue	11,969
Other Income	497
Total Income in 2016:	\$287,626
EXPENSES	
Development	\$72,092
Program	111,580
Events	40,160
Advocacy	57,480
General/Operating	65,958
Expenses in 2016:	\$347,270
 Restricted Assets carried into 2016:	 \$156,999
 Total Net Assets EOY 2016:	 \$97,355

DONORS 2016

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!

GEARS \$10,000 & UP

De Ramel Foundation
 EJMP Fund
 Kaminitz Family Trust
 RIDOT Highway Safety Program
 van Beuren Charitable Trust

Corrigan Financial, Inc.
 Discover Newport
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FRAMES: up to \$10,000

Anonymous
 Don and Jana Jagoe
 Newport Health Equity Zone
 People for Bikes
 FH Prince Memorial Fund

CRANKS: up to \$5,000

1772 Foundation
 AAA Northeast
 Sarah Atkins
 Betty Bourret
 Ed Coll

VHB (Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.)
Amanda & Matthew Ward

WHEELS: up to \$1,000

Bank Newport
Bike to the Beach
Kelly & Clint Clemens
Maureen Cronin and Mark Marosits
Deanna Conheeny
Eli Dana
Peter Harty
Lorber Foundation
Brian Kiracofe
Rhode Island Bicycle Coalition
Sen. Sheldon & Sandra Whitehouse

PEDALS: up to \$500

Thomas Ardito
Ella & Tom Auchincloss
Sue Barker
Christopher Bender
Gretchen & Peter Bloom
Alice Braunstein & Brian Dever
Randi Braunstein
Matt Breede
Liza Burkin & Tyson Bottenus
Chipotle
Kelley & Christopher Coen
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Catherine Curtis
Joanna Detz & Frank Carini
Meghan Dutton
Peter Edwards
Kellen Farnham & Jane'a Johnson
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Chuck & Karen Flippo
Erin Flynn
Gary Gagne
Colleen Gilmartin
Historic Hill Association
Sally Hanchett
Kim Hapgood
Steve & Mary Heath
Chris & Sarah Heaton
Douglas & Nancy Horsey
Jonathan Howard & Gayle Gifford
Samuel & Ruth Jernigan
Alex Joseph
KVH Industries
Laura Jean Denim
Kaye May
Donna & Jack Maytum

Timothy McMahon & Mary Ann Peters
Narragansett Bay Wheelmen
Newport County YMCA
Newport Hospital
Mark Ozer
Nick Pappas & Mary Ellen Lynch
Nancy Parker Wilson
Newport Pedicab
Tom Perrotti
Caroline Reavey & David Brown
Linda Schieffelin
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Patrick Skeffington
Slee-McMahan
Elena Soini
Charlie & Victoria Stengel
David & Hilary Stookey
Brian Sweeney
Teresa Tanzi & Eric Buchbaum
Michael Thomas
Pam & Chris Thomas
Chris Tompsett
Joseph Wanat
Judith Webb
Jessica Wurzbacher
Charles Young

SPOKES: up to \$100

David Allard
Michelle Barber
Elizabeth Benestad
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Drew Carey & Lisa L. Colburn
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Patricia Grimes
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Judith Hestnes
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Ellen Murphy
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Rachel Playe
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Kelly Ramirez
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Bike Newport is a domestic non-profit organization registered in the State of Rhode Island in November of 2011. Our fiscal sponsor is Social Venture Partners of Rhode Island, a 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization. At the time of this publication, our 501c3 application is in process.

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