

2017

CYCLES FOR CHANGE ANNUAL REPORT

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2017 YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP REPORT 2017

SUMMER PROGRAM:



8 NEW APPRENTICES



64.6 MILES BIKED BY EACH APPRENTICE



929.5 COLLECTIVE HOURS SPENT LEARNING BIKE MECHANICS AND LEADERSHIP SKILLS



5 APPRENTICES HIRED FOR SCHOOL YEAR EMPLOYMENT AT C4C



20 TOTAL YOUTH APPRENTICES STAFFED C4C PROGRAMS 5 DAYS A WEEK IN 2017.



The Youth Apprenticeship Silent Auction raised

\$3,800

5 APPRENTICES

attended the national Youth Bike Summit in Washington, DC



Cycles for Change's Youth Apprenticeship program works with high school-aged young people to build the next generation of self-empowered community leaders and cyclists. Young people learn bike mechanics, support Open Shop programs, and help build vibrant, equitable bicycling communities within the Twin Cities through paid positions. Cycles for Change is grounded in the power of collaborative spaces and honoring diverse voices, and our Youth Apprenticeship reflects this ethos by co-creating platforms where young people's voices are integrated in program development.



Open Shop and Grease Rag (Femme, Trans, Women-only Open Shop) are spaces to fix your bike or learn how to, and are hosted at both our St. Paul and Minneapolis shop locations.



MINNEAPOLIS:

297 USERS
&
540 VISITS

53 USERS

were Grease Rag participants.

This is a

9% INCREASE*

in users from 272 during 2016.

*Due to relocating our Minneapolis Shop, Open Shop and Grease Rag did not operate for 4 weeks during the busy season

Open Shop and Grease Rag operate on a sliding scale fee of \$2-20. However, no one is turned away for an inability to pay.

THE AVERAGE OPEN SHOP DONATION IN ST. PAUL IS \$10.



ST. PAUL:

435 USERS
&
763 VISITS

This is a

104% INCREASE

in users from 213 during 2016.

During the 2017 busy season we more than doubled hours from 11 per week in 2016 to

27 OPEN SHOP AND GREASE RAG HOURS PER WEEK

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OPEN SHOP & GREASE RAG REPORT

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2017 LEARN TO RIDE REPORT



A person walking through Matthews Park in south Minneapolis on a summer Saturday morning might have glimpsed something unexpected: tennis courts filled with cheers, adults, and bicycles. Since 2013, Cycles for Change has offered an adult and teen Learn to Ride class in this small neighborhood park. What began with 38 students, has grown steadily in demand and popularity. In 2017,

114 STUDENTS participated in **10 CLASSES**

over a 5-month period. Almost none of the students had ever ridden a bicycle before.

A diverse body of students from all over the Twin Cities participated in this unique opportunity to learn bicycling with their peers in a supportive and fun environment. Students hailed from

**17 DIFFERENT
COUNTRIES &
TERRITORIES**

The majority of Learn to Ride students identify as female and Black or Person of Color.

STUDENTS' FAVORITE PARTS OF THE CLASSES INCLUDED:



Hanging out with great people. 

 Meeting new people that don't know how to ride as well.

The encouraging teachers that were cheering us on throughout the lessons. And the introduction and the first few minutes of class when we talked and got to know each other. 

 Welcoming environment for any and all questions.

Seeing my progress overtime.

Pedaling for the first time. 

 Going out to the road.



**BY THE END OF
THE SEASON,
OVER 3/4 OF THE
STUDENTS WERE
PEDALING.**





8 RIDES | in | FROGTOWN & EAST SIDE



2017 was the first year of Slow Roll St. Paul. Slow Roll St. Paul's purpose is to highlight our amazing and vibrant communities within St. Paul through biweekly community rides held at different locations during the months of June through September.

298 RIDERS

73% FROM ST. PAUL

71% IDENTIFIED AS NON-MALE

50% IDENTIFIED AS NON-WHITE

WHAT PARTICIPANTS HAD TO SAY ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCES:



There's a beauty in exploring your community on two wheels that connects you to your surroundings in a different way, especially with a group of fellow cyclists. - Leah Htet

I am traditionally a "bike for commuting purposes" or solo rider only sort of person, but I really enjoy these rides: they are well organized, they are inclusive, the leaders stress following the rules of the road, and they allow members of the community to interact with and get to know one another. - Melissa Wenzel



SLOW ROLL ST. PAUL RIDES ARE A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT BETWEEN CYCLES FOR CHANGE, ST. PAUL SMART TRIPS AND TRANSIT FOR LIVABLE COMMUNITIES.



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ROLLING OUT BIKES: C4C BIKE DISTRIBUTION YEAR IN REVIEW

Every year, Cycles for Change receives hundreds of bike donations through bike drives, Metro Transit, and individual donors. We aim to repair as many of these bikes as possible to get them back out into our St. Paul and Minneapolis communities. This year, we distributed:

260 BIKES THROUGH RETAIL SALES AT OUR ST. PAUL SHOP

38 BIKES THROUGH THE BIKE GRANT PROGRAM

20 BIKES FOR LEARN TO RIDE VIA A MPLS HEALTH DEPT VOUCHER*

15 BIKES TO YOUTH (AGES 8-14) IN ST. PAUL



*September 2017 Learn to Ride students received a \$200 voucher to put toward the purchase of a bicycle at Cycles for Change. This was made possible through a grant from the Minneapolis Health Department.