

# COMMUNITY BICYCLE CENTER

*"PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH TO GROW"*



## ANNUAL REPORT 2016

## NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

2016 was a year of transition for the Community Bicycle Center (CBC), marked most notably by the end of our first Strategic Plan (2013-2016), and the resignation of our Founding Executive Director. In preparation for a new phase in the CBC's nonprofit lifespan, key CBC stakeholders—including Board and staff members, volunteers, donors and a few long-standing participants—spent time reflecting on how far the CBC has come since incorporation. A common sentiment expressed was the overwhelming sense of pride in our small CBC community, and respect for the Founder, Andy Greif, who persisted throughout it all.

We will be forever grateful for Andy's vision and dedication to creating a place where young people are provided opportunities to grow, learn and connect regardless of family resources or individual challenges. Through the CBC, he sparked so many of us into action: to donate, to volunteer and to work a little bit harder for the greater-good of our community. On a personal note, Andy was my first professional mentor who took a chance with hiring me as the CBC's third AmeriCorps\*VISTA—fresh out of college and green to the business of nonprofits. Andy served as a role model for integrity, and commitment to resolve every obstacle he encountered with diplomacy. He listened first and acted second. And he always focused on opportunities for personal growth instead of spinning his wheels in the negative. I couldn't have been more fortunate to have Andy's guidance during the formative years of my professional life—and I promise that I will do my best to carry on his legacy. We look forward to Andy's continued insight and wisdom through his new position as the CBC's Director Emeritus.

On the program front, we had another banner year with almost 400 kids—alongside caring adults and peer mentors, putting in countless hours of sweat equity to earn over 150 bikes for fun, freedom, and transportation. Fifty-seven youth pedaled over 6,000 cumulative miles during our road, mountain and tandem bike rides, and 12 youth participated in the Kids Bike Factory learning job readiness skills. Most importantly, 52 direct service volunteers spent over 1,200 hours mentoring CBC youth. Many thanks to Andrew Burnell, our Program/Volunteer Director, for ensuring that the CBC's programs adhere to our youth development mission and meet the needs of our community's youth.

We have come far—and still, we have mountains to climb in our quest to ensure that all children in our community are cared for and connected to healthy people and healthy activities during the out-of-school time. Thanks to everyone who supported our 2016 journey; we hope you'll join us for more adventures in 2017 and beyond!

Sincerely,

*Brian M. Barnett*

Executive Director



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## BY THE NUMBERS

The CBC is a year-round youth development program for hundreds of kids in Biddeford and surrounding communities. We are a community-based program that uses bicycle-related activities as the tool for helping youth and young adults achieve future success through asset-building activities, mentorship, and life skills development.

**52** direct service volunteers spent **1,211** hours mentoring CBC youth

**390** kids participated in CBC programs during **3,826** participant days (**298** sessions), earning **157** bikes and receiving **142** free helmets

**57** youth pedaled **6,317** cumulative-miles during our tandem, road, and mountain biking trips

**15** University of New England student volunteers prepared **65** bikes to be sent to Africa through the MA-based nonprofit Bikes Not Bombs

**7** youth volunteers serviced **42** bikes in select neighborhoods through Bike Doctor outreach

**12** youth participated in the Kids Bike Factory learning job readiness skills and volunteer at local events.

CBC led **12** learning sessions for Biddeford Learns Afterschool Together

(BLAST), **28** sessions for the Alternative Education Program at the Biddeford

Middle School, and **16** skill building sessions for students in Functional Life Skills at the Biddeford High School



# IMPACT

*Back in 2009, I was afraid to order my own food at a restaurant, answer and talk to a stranger on the phone, talk in front of class, let alone give a speech. In fifth grade, I met Dillon, a former CBC staff member, at a new “bike club” meeting. I had just learned how to ride a bike a couple years prior and was very interested with my new skill. Dillon and Mr. Davis lead these meetings and introduced me to the CBC. As I was the only youth in attendance, the meetings subsided. However, I never stopped coming to the shop, as you can see.*


*Many people think that the CBC is about the bikes, but that’s far from true. To me, the CBC helps bridge the gap between today’s and tomorrow’s leaders. Before walking into the door of that green building on Hill Street in Biddeford, I had no confidence. As I mentioned, I wouldn’t even answer the phone. Andy [Greif] still jokes about that to this day. But thanks to Andy, I have made a decision to spend my life in a profession that requires a whole lot of communication, teaching a class how to learn. The CBC has grown with me. Without the CBC I would have had a very hard time finding out what I’d like to do with my life.*

*Today, a day in 2016, I have been a part of the CBC family for almost eight years. I have spent more than fifteen-hundred sessions here. I have co-taught 4 formal bike repair classes. I have lead many summer bike rides. And I have connected with many people older and younger than I.*

*Without the CBC, I don’t really know where I’d be. I wasn’t on a bad track that the CBC saved me from; I was on no track. The CBC gave me somewhere to be, somewhere to make friends, somewhere to practice learning and teaching, somewhere to escape, somewhere to learn who I am and to practice being me.*

*To me, a seventeen year old high school senior, the CBC is an extremely important place. It has made me who I am today, and I know it has greatly influenced my future. I hope that the CBC touches many generations after mine. I know I’m not leaving anytime soon.*

Thank you.



Matt Perkins

Youth participant, employee, mentor



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*Nancy Innes and Nancy Howard pedaled all the way from Calais, ME to Kittery during this year's Pedal with a Heart fundraising bike ride to benefit the CBC. Despite derailleur issues, thunderstorms, and a few surprise construction sites along the way, we were happy to see Nancy I. and Nancy H. roll into our parking lot with smiling faces before they continued on their journey. Pedal with a Heart was started by Nancy Innes in memory of her husband who passed away suddenly from cardiac arrest in 2011. He and Nancy were avid tandem cyclists on their recumbent trike as well as Trek Across Maine riders—with whom CBC would often share the road on the annual 3-day trip from Sunday River to the sea.*



*Thanks to the continued efforts of Biddeford Savings and their dedicated event sponsors, the 2016 Music on Main Street's summer concert series raised over \$7,000 for five local area nonprofits including: Community Partners, Inc., CBC, Bon Appetite Community Meal Program, Stone Soup Food Pantry and the Biddeford Food Pantry. Since 2006, Biddeford Savings has raised over \$60,000 for local charities through the event! Many thanks to Biddeford Savings and their employees for their ongoing investment in our community.*



Thanks so much for your support.

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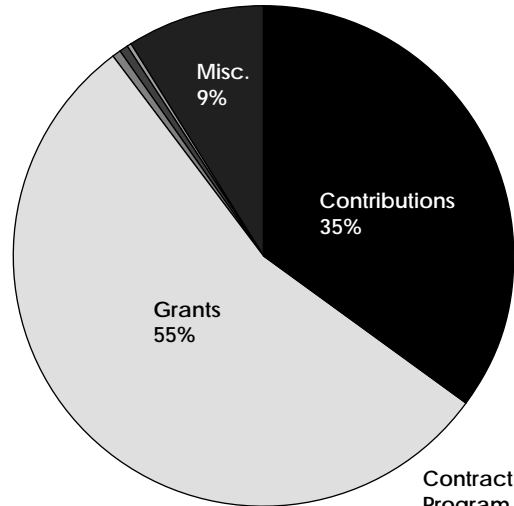
## 2016 Statement of Financial Position

ASSETS	2016 <i>(Reviewed)</i>	2015 <i>(Audited)</i>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash & Equivalents - Operating	\$190,450	\$184,045
Prepaid Expense	1,313	2,216
Accounts Receivable	593	2,379
Grants & Pledges Receivable	12,000	2,000
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>\$204,356</b>	<b>\$190,640</b>
<b>PROPERTY &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>		
Building & Improvements	376,641	375,614
Land	123,400	123,400
Furniture & Equipment	25,020	24,103
Leasehold Improvements	--	--
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(44,636)	(31,726)
<b>NET PROPERTY &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>\$480,425</b>	<b>\$491,391</b>
Other Assets - Maine Community Foundation	97,590	73,079
Long-term Pledges Receivable	--	2,000
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$782,371</b>	<b>\$757,110</b>

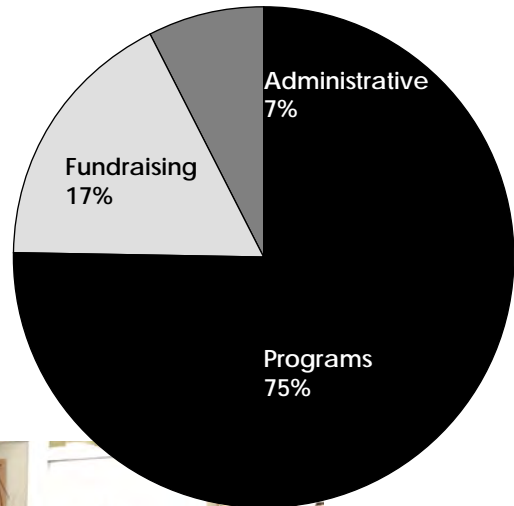
## LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts Payable	209	3,596
Accrued Liabilities	3,467	8,654
Deferred Revenue	12,000	25,404
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>15,676</b>	<b>37,654</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
Unrestricted	766,695	719,456
Temporarily Restricted - Other	--	--
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$766,695</b>	<b>\$719,456</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$782,371</b>	<b>\$757,110</b>

## OPERATING INCOME \$265,263



## OPERATING EXPENSES \$218,024



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