



2017 ANNUAL REPORT



COMMUNITY BICYCLE CENTER

Providing Opportunities for Youth to Grow since 2001



From the Executive Director

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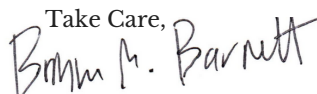
When we approved our 2017-2020 Strategic Plan in January, we were optimistic about our future and invigorated by our youth development mission. Our assuredness was in the context of a challenging operating reality, with just two full time staff members, and a looming budget shortfall. Despite limited resources, we had confidence that good programs would attract great people and the means to support it. We are fortunate that the CBC was—and continues to be, privileged with a dedicated Board of Directors, caring volunteers, and generous donors, who make audacious goals attainable and hard work, enjoyable. Thanks to a tremendous amount of work from hundreds of people passionate about the CBC's mission, we ended the year financially strong and able to serve more kids than ever before.

Here are a few of my favorite highlights:

- Improving our ability to support diverse educational pathways. The CBC now facilitates educational and service learning programs four days a week through a codified collaboration with the Biddeford School Department.
- Expanding the scope and depth of our work by becoming one of just eight programs across the Maine chosen for a six-year pilot project aimed at increasing student aspirations.
- Bringing together hundreds of cyclists and volunteers for our annual AppleCycle benefit ride.
- Increasing youth access to fun, hands-on STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) learning experiences through an eight-week bike mechanics course aligned with Common Core State Standards (CCSS) and Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).
- Hiring two new program staff to help us wrap-up the busiest year in our organization's history.

I am deeply grateful for the dedication of our supporters, and the cooperation of our partners in youth development. Most of all, I am proud of the young people who continue to make positive choices about how to spend their critical afterschool and summer vacation time.

As you read this annual report, I hope you will feel the same way.

Take Care,

Bronwyn M. Barnett
Executive Director

PS. Please remember: you are welcome to visit anytime.

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OUR IMPACT

BY THE NUMBERS

2017 was the busiest year in CBC's program history. More youth discovered a homebase with our staff, volunteers, and peer leaders than ever before.

455 YOUTH

Hundreds of young people found a place to belong at the CBC

354 PROGRAM SESSIONS

Youth from diverse backgrounds had consistent opportunities to learn, grow, and connect at the CBC during 354 program sessions and 3,632 participant days.

1,086 MENTORING HOURS

34 direct service volunteers connected with youth during eight separate programs and over 1,000 mentoring hours.

146 SAFE BRAINS + FULL BELLIES

CBC distributed 146 free helmets, and provided over 200 free summer lunches* during CBC "summer camp" programming.

8,563 MILES

Youth stayed active year-round during daily summer road/mountain bike rides, and wintertime fat bike trail rides. Seven youth and their adult mentors rode in the 180-mile Trek Across Maine, raising thousands of dollars for healthy lung and air initiatives.

270 BIKES REPAIRED

304 program participants learned about sweat equity and goal persistence by repairing over 270 bikes for personal use, gifts for friends/family, and for use in community outreach projects.

49 SCHOOL SESSIONS

60 students earned school credit through hands-on and service learning projects at the CBC during 122 education hours and 49 program sessions.

126 JUVENILE JUSTICE HOURS

21 young adults were given a second chance for committing minor offenses by completing mandated community service at the CBC.

**In partnership with the Biddeford School Department & USDA.*



2017 PROGRAMS

Free. Year-round. Accessible.

The Community Bicycle Center (CBC) believes that every child deserves a safe place to connect and grow during the critical non-school hours. That is why we provide community-based mentoring programs, free of charge, for over 400 young people each year.

Daily Drop-in Time: Youth ages 8-18 years connect with volunteer adult mentors, staff, and peers through hands-on bike repair, board games, art projects, homework help, and exercising in the upstairs fitness space.

Outdoor Adventures: The CBC owns six acres of green space for camping, exploring, and pump-track play. The nonprofit property abuts 140 acres and 22 miles of public land with direct trail access into Clifford Park.

Kids Bike Factory: This "earn and learn" job readiness program engages older youth in soft and technical job skills through a youth managed business. Students receive an educational stipend for their work, as well as lessons in financial literacy.

Bike Doctor: Our "bike shop on wheels" enables older youth to build stronger connections within their community by becoming outreach ambassadors for CBC, providing free bike repair for kids in nearby neighborhoods, with a particular focus on the Mission Hill area.

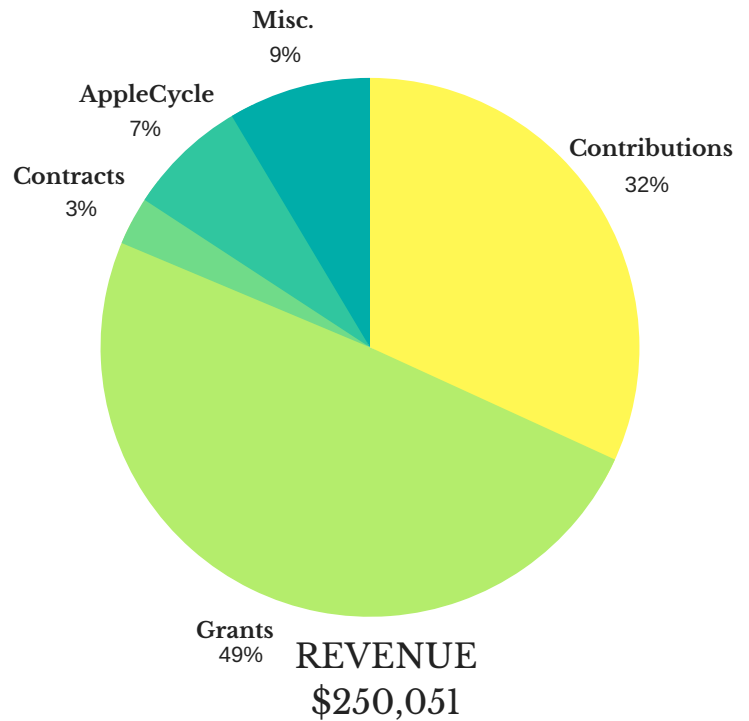
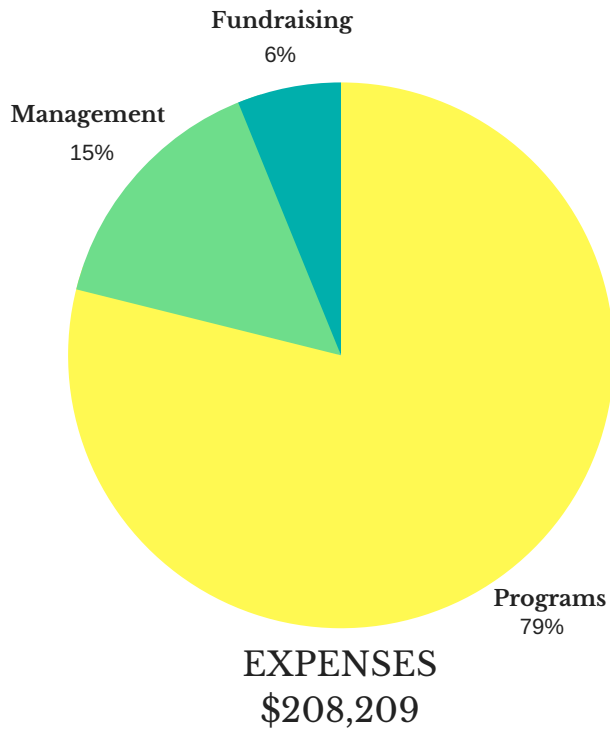
STEM Bike Monkeys (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math): CBC increases youth access to hands-on STEM learning experiences through an eight-week bike mechanics course aligned with the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) and the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).

Trek Across Maine: Mentorship, commitment, and exposure "beyond Biddeford" is the programmatic focus of this 180-mile, three-day bike ride across the state. Youth train for three months with their mentor prior to the event, and fundraise to support the American Lung Association's healthy air and lung initiatives.

CBC "Summer Camp": Young people stay connected and active all summer through CBC-led rides to the beach and other nature-based destinations. We are also a free lunch site, ensuring that kids have access to healthy meals when they are not in school.

Trek2Connect: Trek2Connect (T2C) is a formal seventh grade-to-graduation adventure mentoring program geared toward raising and sustaining student aspirations.

In addition to our afterschool and summer camp programming, the CBC facilitates educational and service-learning activities four days a week during the school year through a codified collaboration with the Biddeford School Department. Educational programming includes alternative education opportunities for middle school and high school students, along with services for students with intellectual disabilities. Our goal is to strengthen the link between academics and afterschool programs in a way that supports—but does not replicate—the learning that occurs within school walls.



**2017 STATEMENT OF
FINANCIAL POSITION**

	2017	2016
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and Equivalents - Operating	\$238,009	\$190,450
Prepaid Expenses	1,743	1,313
Accounts Receivable	4,514	593
Grants and Pledges Receivable	-	12,000
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	244,266	204,356
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT		
Building and Improvements	376,641	376,641
Land	123,400	123,400
Furniture and Equipment	50,858	25,020
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(59,392)	(44,636)
NET PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT	491,507	480,425
Other Assets	140,084	97,590
TOTAL ASSETS	\$875,857	\$783,371
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$503	\$209
Accrued Liabilities	5,404	3,467
Deferred Revenue	61,413	12,000
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	67,320	15,676
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	808,537	766,695
Temporarily Restricted	-	-
TOTAL NET ASSETS	808,537	766,695
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$875,857	\$782,371



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ASK ACHAYO



The Maine Community Foundation (MaineCF) celebrated 35 years of grant-making in the state with profiles of the people and nonprofits who contribute to and benefit from the Foundation's work to improve the quality of life for all Maine people. In the MaineCF interview below, Achayo talks about why she comes to the CBC, and what her plans are for the future.

Photo: Thalassa Raasch, MaineCF

Tells us about yourself. What grade are you in, anything else you'd like you share about your life.

My name is Achayo. Achayo is what my mom gave me, Molly is my American name if people can't say Achayo. I am 11. I go to Biddeford Middle School but live in Saco now. I am in a play called Lion King and I am Mufasa. I like learning and eating new things. I have a big family, 11 people, which is really nice because they help me out a lot! I am the seventh kid in my family. Six boys and five girls counting me. I go to the CBC which is a great place to be at because you can be yourself there and be calm, and they care about you.

How did you discover the CBC and how long have you been a member?

Three or four years ago, my friend who knew the old CBC, walked me over to it, but it was closed. There was a sign that said "CBC moved to new place." The next day my friend was like, "Oh I found the new place" and we went there. I went back the next day after that and did homework and art. I met a kid named Ashton, and some other people. I starting coming back almost every day, because everyone there was so nice and they taught me new things all the time. And made me engaged to everything I did – bike rides, and other things that could help me with life. With everyone there, they would help you immediately and they would just be there even when things got hard. I don't think they are going anywhere. It's just really nice.

What do you like most about CBC? What are your favorite things to do there?

The thing I like most about the CBC is the people. You meet new people all the time who teach you new things. I even starting bringing my brothers, and they really like it too, so I was like "Alright, I guess we can share the place – I found it first but I guess you can come too." My brother Daniel started working there at Kids Bike Factory and has fun too. I usually take care of him, and he takes care of me, and the CBC people take care of us. It's pretty cool. My favorite thing is playing UNO – it's just fun. I like how you can do art at the CBC – make messes like you would never be able to do at home. And build bikes too. It is just so much fun.

What is your most memorable moment since you've been at the CBC?

My first bike ride. I rode a tandem bike and I was like how does this work?! It was just really fun being on a bike with someone and how the wind blew in our hair and you could talk to someone when you're riding and can have a conversation and learn about each other. It was really fun.

If you could tell other people why they should visit or volunteer at the CBC, what would you say?

I would say: come to the CBC, it's really fun. They don't care about your religion, or language, or skin color – they just care about YOU and just want you to come and learn new things with other people. They teach you new things every day! I have learned a lot. It's really fun. And believe me, once you go there one day, you will want to go back. They have snacks and they take care of you. They have fun like very second. You can talk to nice people, eat snacks, go on a long bike ride, join a parade, go in the woods and no matter what they will just invite you back. I love that place. I love the CBC.

How was the CBC changed your life so far?

The CBC has changed my life because they helped us find a new house when we were getting kicked out of our old one. The CBC has changed my life by helping me with my homework so I don't fall behind. It's very educational and they invite people back no matter what. The CBC has changed my life by helping to introduce me to new people who are nice. I made a bunch of new friends. I used to like to stay in the shadows but the CBC made me come out into the light and be myself. People at the CBC will be friends with you no matter what. They like to help you make new friends and teach you new things as your friend. There are always good people there who you can become friends with.

What would you like to be doing 10 years from now?

My plan is to do two things. Actually a lot of things. I want to maybe lead the CBC. I want to help out people who have no homes or maybe are homeless. Help them get a job and start a good life. I want to go to Broadway and be an actor because I love acting. I want to go to Juilliard.



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