
Building Momentum Breakfast, Yard Sale, Summer Programs Update & more!



Summer 2020 E-Newsletter

June/July 2020



Bike Match - Kira and Danielle

Whether or not you believe in fate, Bikes Not Bombs was able to pair this Shogun road bicycle (pictured above) with an essential healthcare worker from Boston Medical Center. Read their email exchange below:

“This was my first road bike. Rode it daily to commute to Watertown, and around Somerville and Cambridge where I lived. It took me almost a year to learn how to switch gears. That didn’t stop me from turning into a biking fanatic. I rode this Shogun across Maine in 2017, and down to Provincetown with Bike MS in 2018. I changed jobs and moved around the Boston area but never stopped taking this bike with me everywhere.”

- Kira, a generous bike donor through BNB’s Bike Match program

“It means so much to me that you chose to donate your bike via Bike Match and I am so grateful that I was matched with it! It was quite demoralizing to have my bike stolen while I was working.. amidst a pandemic, no less! But you are proof there is still good in the world.”

- Danielle, an emergency medicine resident working at Boston Medical Center.

BNB needs more donated bikes so we can continue to offer them to essential workers and others in need of sustainable transportation. If you have an extra bike you are not using anymore, please consider bringing it to the Bike Shop, or fill out this [webform](#) to start the donation process.



Danielle with her "new" (previously loved) Shogun bicycle!

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Bike Shop Update

The Bike Shop is still open for business and we are regularly scheduling test rides, selling bikes and accessories, and accepting donations. Our full hours are:

- Monday: Closed
- Tuesday: 12 PM - 7 PM
- Wednesday: 12 PM - 7 PM
- Thursday: 12 PM - 7 PM
- Friday: 12 PM - 7 PM
- Saturday: 9 AM - 5 PM
- Sunday: 12 PM - 4 PM



Bike of the Month: RANS Bikes Dynamik in blue, size M

This RANS Dynamik is a custom made ergonomic bicycle that was donated to our shop. Specialty bikes like this do not come in often, so be sure to check it out if you are interested! It is a “crank forward” design that is good for people who want to sit taller and keep their back comfortable (like a recumbent). Frame size M. More details are available on the [manufacturer’s website](#).

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BIKE-A-THON

Sunday

Sept. 13th, 2020

Rain Date: October 4th

A Bike Ride For Social Change

REGISTER NOW AT
BIKESNOTBOMBS.ORG

4 ROUTES TO CHOOSE FROM

Starting and ending at JP
Stony Brook T Station field



With our online fundraising page, it's easy to raise at least \$200 to participate! You will enjoy free food, a t-shirt, ride support, and an after-party, all while making a real difference!

BIKES NOT BOMBS



Bikes Not Bombs uses the bicycle as a vehicle for social change.
We reclaim thousands of bikes each year. We reuse them in our youth programs and bike shop in Boston. We ship them to economic development projects through our partners in Africa, Latin America, and the Caribbean.

33rd Annual Bike-A-Thon!

Bikes Not Bombs plans to move forward with its 33rd annual Bike-A-Thon on September 13th, 2020. We have created easy to follow [training routes](#) of varying distances and difficulty. The routes start in Jamaica Plain near the Bikes Not Bombs Hub & Bike Shop. You are able to export files compatible with GPS bike computers, smartphones, and map/profile images.



By popular demand: Yard Sale on Saturday, Aug. 1!

We will be hosting a one day sale on Saturday, August 1 from 10am to 2pm at our Bike Shop ([284 Amory St, Jamaica Plain, MA](#)).

Everything is priced to go as is and ALL SALES ARE FINAL:

- RECYCLED and USED mountain, road, hybrid, kids bikes starting as low as \$25 from 700c wheel sets to classic 27" and beyond
- Used bike frames
- Used parts including wheels, forks, saddles, handlebars, cassettes & more
- Apparel including bike jerseys & more
- Accessories

Please call the Hub/Bike Shop directly at 617.522.0222 with any questions. Hope to see you there!



Submit an application or refer youth for our Summer 2020 session of On-The-Bike!

Programs Update

- Help us welcome our new, amazing team of youth apprentices! Bikes Not Bombs' [Youth Pathways](#) program is designed to employ and engage teens year-round. Throughout our summer-long apprenticeship this year, youth develop competency in bike mechanics, and at the same time, they build self-confidence, develop strong interpersonal and communication skills, and receive support in setting and achieving life goals. This summer we have four teams dedicated to supporting our local and international efforts: Recycling & Shipping, Bike School, BOCA (Bicyclists Organizing for Community Action), and our retail Bike Shop.
- We are accepting applications for **Summer 2020 On-The-Bike!** The program will run from July 27 through August 15, held on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. No experience in biking or mechanics is necessary to apply and every program graduate will ride away on their very own refurbished bicycle and helmet! On-The-Bike is a program for youth ages 12-18 who are looking to:
 - Complete daily bike rides, gradually increasing in distance
 - Learn about bike safety, proper helmet and bike fitting
 - Learn bike riding and commuting skills
 - Learn and execute basic bike maintenance tasks such as flat fixing, adjusting wheels, brakes, and gears
 - Understand basic social justice values, systems, political education and awareness



Donor of the Month: Adam Beerman

Adam Beerman is our donor of the month. Adam bought a bike at the BNB Bike Shop, but just recently became a donor by starting a generous recurring monthly donation. Adam's big passion is biking, but he was aware of the Black Lives Matter movement, and was also looking for a local charity that supported racial justice. At the suggestion of the LivableStreets Alliance, Adam decided to become a donor to Bikes Not Bombs. Adam remarked that he was fortunate he didn't lose his job during the COVID-19 pandemic, and was happy to start a recurring donation. It is easier for him to keep track of his donations by having them recur automatically each month, and he knows it is easier on Bikes Not Bombs. Thank you, Adam, for your critical support.



10th Annual Building Momentum Breakfast **A FUNDRAISER FOR BIKES NOT BOMBS**

Saturday, November 7, 2020
9:30 AM registration • 10-11 AM Program
Bruce C. Bolling Municipal Building • 2300 Washington St, Roxbury, MA 02119

Building Momentum Breakfast - Save the Date

Please join Bikes Not Bombs for our 10th Annual Building Momentum Breakfast on Saturday, November 7th, 2020 at the Bruce Bolling Municipal Building, located at [2300 Washington St](#) in Roxbury, MA. Registration begins at 9:30am, and our Program runs from 10 to 11am.

Have breakfast with Bikes Not Bombs and learn how you can help provide the crucial support we need to keep our local and international programs rolling. Contact our Director of Development, Angela Phinney at angela@bikesnotbombs.org or 617.522.0222 x108 to RSVP, for more information, or to become a Table Captain, so you can invite your friends and co-workers to hear from our Youth Pathways and International Partners how Bikes Not Bombs has impacted their lives.

Please note this is an RSVP event.

The Ride for Black Lives



On Saturday, June 27, hundreds of riders gathered at White Stadium in Franklin Park to participate in "The Ride for Black Lives", sponsored by Bikes Not Bombs.



BNB Youth Apprentice, Joseph Pires, and Operations Apprentice, Jamil Lewis during the pre-ride rally performing a poem in support of Black lives.

Photos by Troy Sankey

Ride for Black Lives part 2!

Please join us at **11:30 AM** on **Saturday, July 25** to take part in the second edition of the **Ride for Black Lives**. The ride will start at White Stadium in Franklin Park. The total ride length will be 10 miles.



Want to ride more miles?

Boston-based cycling group, Pure Commuter, is hosting a no-drop (casual pace) charity ride to benefit Bikes Not Bombs and its affiliated programs on Saturday, July 25th at 9:30 AM. Riders will meet at **1 Central Wharf** at the New England Aquarium and ride 20 miles in total. The ride will end at White Stadium, where riders can participate in the Ride for Black Lives immediately afterward. For more information, please visit their [Strava event page](#) or their website (<http://www.purecommuter.com>).



The Pure Commuter

BOSTON AQUA CHARITY RIDE

New England Aquarium →
White Stadium (Ride for Black Lives)

A 20 mile ride to benefiting



July 25th
9:30 AM

More info at: www.PureCommuter.com
Questions? Ask us anything! PureCommuter@Gmail.com



Volunteering with BNB

Please contact Ben Goodman to schedule a time for volunteering and training opportunities in the Bike Shop. His email address is Ben@bikesnotbombs.org.

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Hub and Bike Shop: [284 Amory Street, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130](#)

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