
Spoke & Word, May '22: Last Chance for Free Bike-A-Thon Registration!

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Bikes Not Bombs
May 2022

**35th Annual Bike-A-Thon:
Last Chance for Free Registration!**



35th Annual

BIKE-A-THON

A bike ride for social change

#BAT2022

**Sunday
Sept. 11th, 2022**

Rain Date, September 25th

Visit bikesnotbombs.org for more information.



Registration for the 35th Annual Bike-A-Thon is **free** until midnight, June 1st! Use the promo code **FREEBAT2022**.

The Bike-A-Thon will be held on Sunday September 11th at Stony Brook Field in Jamaica Plain. View all routes, volunteer information, and event details at our Bike-A-Thon [website](#).

Free registration ends at midnight, June 1st, 2022



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[Register for the Bike-A-Thon](#)

Now Accepting Applications: Summer 2022 Bike School



*This summer, Jamaica Plain On-The-Bike students aged 15-18 will will embark on a three-day overnight bike tour to Ponkapoag and Wompatuck Campgrounds!
(Photo courtesy of Adventure West by Rim Tours)*

Bikes Not Bombs is accepting applications for summer [Bike School](#) at our Jamaica Plain and Roxbury locations. Programs include: Bike Institute, Earn-A-Bike, On-The-Bike, and Sisters In Action.

The deadline to apply for summer Bike School is Friday, June 17th, 2022.

[Register for Bike School](#)

Building Momentum Breakfast Saturday, June 18th

12th Annual Building Momentum Breakfast
A FUNDRAISER FOR BIKES NOT BOMBS



***In-Person Event**

Saturday, June 18, 2022
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Devine Golf Course Clubhouse, Franklin Park
1 Circuit Drive, Dorchester, MA 02121

RSVP to angela@bikesnotbombs.org

Our annual [Building Momentum Breakfast](#) (a fundraising event for Bikes Not Bombs) will be held at the Devine Golf Course Clubhouse in Franklin Park on Saturday, June 18, 2022 from 10:00 - 11:00am.

Visit our [website](#) or email Angela Phinney at angela@bikesnotbombs.org to RSVP or receive more information.

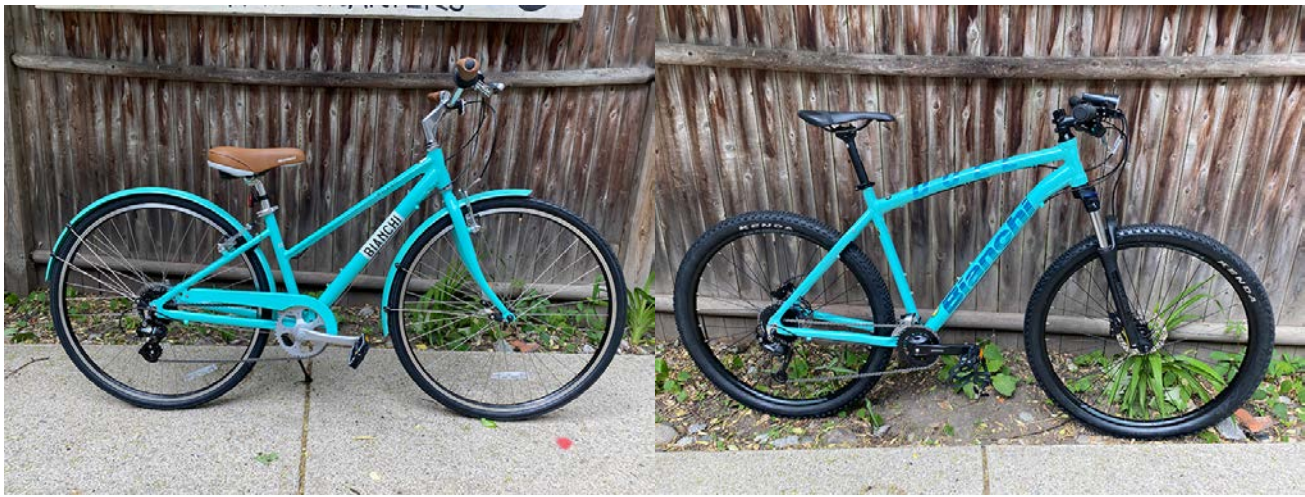
Latest From the Shop



Batch Fitness Bike

Batch Comfort Bike

Bikes Not Bombs has a full size run of new urban/commuting bikes by Batch and Haro. Both the Batch *Urban Bike* and Haro *Beasley 27.5"* feature 1x8 speed gearing and mechanical disc brakes, which are perfect for reliably getting you from A to B.



Bianchi Milano

Bianchi Milano 29" MTB

The shop also has brand new Bianchi bikes for sale, with e-bikes coming soon!



Product Highlight

The *Muc-Off Secure Tag Holder* offers a secure way to install a tracker to your bicycle frame using the bottle cage mounting holes, so you can track your bike down in the event of theft and can locate it. Your tracker will be housed in a machined aircraft grade 6061 aluminum body, that's supplied with T25 security bolts and a security key for an extra level of protection against theft.

The BNB Bike Shop is Hiring

Know anyone looking for work in the bike industry? **Bikes Not Bombs' Bike Shop & Training Center in Boston, MA is hiring** for a:

- Director of Bike Shop & Training Center (\$60,000 - 70,000/year)
- Training and Sales Coordinator (~\$21 - 26/hr)
- Mechanic/Sales Associates (~\$19 - 24/hr)
- Executive Assistant (\$45,000 - 55,000/year), TBD
- Roxbury Shop Manager (\$45,000 - 55,000/year), TBD

Bikes Not Bombs is also hiring for Youth Apprentices to work this summer. For eligibility requirements, please visit our [Youth Apprenticeships page](#).

Please consider applying or help spread the word!

[View Open Positions at Bikes Not Bombs](#)

Bike Match: Taj Mohammad



Taj Mohammad
Bike Match Recipient

Taj Mohammad is an Afghan refugee who was able to receive a mountain bike through Bikes Not Bombs [Bike Match](#) program. Taj Mohammad was extremely thankful for this opportunity and talked about what a bike has meant to him personally:

“It’s a nice bike. I work two jobs and before I had the bicycle I was walking and taking the bus in order to get to work. That meant waiting 15 to 30 minutes each bus ride, then walking another 15 minutes. Having a bike has made it a lot easier to get to work and go to the grocery store. Instead of waiting for the bus, now I spend 15 extra minutes sleeping in the morning.

I want to thank Bikes Not Bombs. You help others. Not just me, but people who can’t buy bikes or don’t have cars. It’s really important for refugees like myself that organizations like Bikes Not Bombs exist. You are helping the people who really need it. Thank you.”

Donor of the Month: Charles (Phred) Churchill

Bikes Not Bombs Donor of the Month is Charles (Phred) Churchill. Charles came to know BNB in our early days when he knew Carl Kurz and Mira Brown. In the mid-1990’s he became acquainted with Bruce Petschek, a videographer (and long-time BNB supporter) who was filming a documentary about bicycles in Cuba. Bruce inspired Charles to work with both bicycles and video, and Charles worked to complete that documentary, *Velorution: One City’s Solution to the Automobile*, which tells the story of how Havana transformed itself into a bicycle mecca.

Charles has since become an advisor to a charitable fund, and has recommended funding for Bikes Not Bombs. He explains that “I set out to find organizations that inspired me and made me rethink the world in positive ways.” Having an environmental, “human inspiration orientation”, Charles is interested in granting funds in the most effective way possible. Bikes Not Bombs is extremely grateful for this support, and for the gifts from all of our strong network of supporters.

Volunteer Night is Back Starting July 6, 2022

[Volunteer Night](#) is scheduled to resume Wednesday, July 6th, 2022. Please follow our [website](#) or social media for more updates closer to the date.

**Ride for Black Lives XII: Celebrating Black Joy
June 25th, 2022**



Bikes Not Bombs will be at the [Ride for Black Lives Boston XII - Celebrating Black Joy](#) on Saturday June 25th, 2022. We look forward to seeing you there and please share the event throughout your networks!

Ride to Honor Kittie Knox: June 5th, 2022



Kittie Knox Ride

Sunday, June 5, 2022

**Honoring Kittie Knox and
the Riverside Cycle Club**

Hosted by MassBike

Curated by NECCD (New England Cycling Coalition for Diversity)

This ride, co-sponsored by Bikes Not Bombs, honors Kittie Knox, a bi-racial woman cyclist who broke color and gender barriers in the 1890's. The Riverside Cycling Club (RCC) was composed primarily of Black men. In 1894, the League of American Wheelman (LAW) passed a rule excluding Black riders. Kittie, the RCC, and the Massachusetts LAW delegation protested. This is a historical ride, and riders will learn about Kittie as a bicycling pioneer and will have the opportunity to reflect on racial, gender and other diversity and equity issues of today.

For more info: <https://neccd.bike>

Pre-register at https://www.massbike.org/kittieknoxride_22

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Our Contact Information

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Bike Shop & Training Center Hours:

Monday: Closed
Tuesday: 12pm - 7pm
Wednesday: 12pm - 7pm
Thursday: 12pm - 7pm
Friday: 12pm - 7pm
Saturday: 11am - 5pm
Sunday: Closed