

A Path to Empowerment

Serving children and youth in the Bay Area



Kids Bike Lane

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We empower kids to live a healthy, active lifestyle

At Christmas we provide brand new bikes to underserved youth in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties so that they can get to school and jobs on time as well as have fun with their friends.

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WHAT WE DO



BIG BIKE BUILD







CORPORATE BIKE BUILDS

FREE BIKE REPAIR CLINICS

REFURBISHING BIKES





Our Mission



Kids Bike Lane is a non-profit organization that partners with charities, community groups, corporations, civic organizations, and individuals to provide new bikes for under-served youth, toward the goal of empowering them to live a healthy and active lifestyle.



What do we do?



We:

- 1. Plan a Big Bike Build in December
- 2. Offer Free Bike Repair Clinics during the year
- 3. Refurbish used bikes to give to persons in need
- 4. Arrange for Corporate Bike Builds on request







Held at the Alameda County Fairgrounds the first Saturday of December





On the day the before the BBB our Board members arrange the boxes of bikes by size and gender and layout the work areas for the volunteer teams.





The volunteers arrive, register, receive a T-shirt and are ready to begin the great task of building bikes.





Teams of 8 to 10 work in their designated spaces to build their bikes.





Volunteers of all ages work in teams to build bikes.





Livermore City Councilman, Bob Carling, and wife Sue are part of the First Presbyterian Church Team.





A Green Team of youth volunteers is recruited to recycle all the cardboard boxes and plastic.







Lunch is served by AT&T Pioneers.





All bikes go through Quality Control by volunteer bike mechanics (QCs) who make sure the handle bars and seats are assembled correctly and all the nuts and bolts are tight. Finally the tires are checked to be sure they have the correct pressure. The bikes are now ready to be delivered to the charities for distribution to their clients.





The bikes are then staged to be picked up by the charities.



KBL Proudly Supports these Charitable Organizations

2017 BIG BIKE BUILD

Agape Villages * Alameda County Foster Parents Association * Arroyo Seco Elementary School * Bay Area Youth Centers

Building Futures with Women & Children * Catholic Charities of the East Bay * Contra Costa Kops for Kids * Davis Street Family Resource Center

Friends of Oakley * Good Tidings Foundation * Hayward Police Department * Horizons Family Counseling * Junction Avenue Middle School

LifeSTEPS * Lincoln Families * Livermore Police Department * Marilyn Avenue School * Oakland Catholic Worker * Parisi House

Pleasanton Police Department * St. Charles Borromeo Church * San Lorenzo Family Help Center * Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Last November 23 charities submitted requests for the number of bikes they would like to receive to distribute to their clients. KBL received requests for 230 more bikes than we had available to distribute.







The charities arrive according to a pre-arranged schedule to pick up the bikes they will give to their clients.



Free Bike Repair Clinics



Several times a year KBL hosts free bike repair clinics to enable kids to stay on their bikes instead of the bikes sitting in a garage with a flat tire.



Free Bike Repair Clinics





The repair clinics are held at schools and community centers in areas where underserved kids and their families live.



Free Bike Repair Clinics









Corporate Bike Builds



This is a great way for corporations to give back to the community, contribute to the health and happiness of underserved children, and experience a fun, team building activity for the employees.



Corporate Bike Builds





Kids Bike Lane provides:

- ❖ A brief presentation about the mission of KBL
- ❖ Brand new bicycles and tools for assembling them
- **❖ Volunteers from KBL to lead employees in the process**
- **❖** Experienced mechanics to check every bike for safety
- * And, some children to receive the bikes.



Corporate Bike Builds



The Corporation provides:

- ❖ a contact person through whom arrangements are made
- ❖ a location with enough space for building the bikes
- employees to build the bikes
- ❖ a contribution to cover the costs of the bikes and helmets
- ❖ a contribution for each employee's participation.
- ❖ and, a means for disposing of all cardboard boxes.



Why do we do it?







It's all about the kids!



Why do we do it?

Because lives are changed ...

- * a child can ride to school and get there on time.
- * a teen has transportation to an after-school job.
- ❖ after a hip replacement, a child has the number one doctor recommended means to rehab – a bike.
- a father and son can ride together on bikes repaired at one of our repair clinics.
- a child thought there would be nothing under the tree for Christmas, but now she knows there are people who care.



Refurbishing Used Bikes







Some of our Sponsors















St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church



Sources of our Funds:

- Grants from foundations
- Corporations and community organizations
- Churches' mission committees
- Employee matching gifts from corporations such as LLNL
- Matching gifts through CHEF (Community Health and Education Foundation) an additional \$1.00 matching every \$2.00 donated
- Individual donors

Financial contributions are what make it possible for us to purchase bikes and helmets for the Big Bike Build and parts for the repair clinics.



Our Goal for 2017

\$75,000!

\$100 = 1 bike and helmet.

\$500 = 1 Bike Repair Clinic.

95% of funds received from donations goes toward purchase of bikes, helmets, and parts because most overhead costs are covered by Board members making in-kind contributions.



KBL in the News



KBL welcomed as new member of Livermore Valley Chamber of Commerce at Ribbon Cutting



KBL in the News



Partnership • Collaboration • Community

KBL is currently a featured charity in a story with photos and text about the many facets of our work.



Quote from a youth who received a bike last Christmas ...

Thank you very much for the bike I received. I have gotten great use out of it and use it everyday. Thanks to the bike I have been on time to school, which in turn helped me to get the lost credits I needed to graduate. The bike is a major reason I am graduating. So, thank you for helping me be the first one in my family to graduate.

