

Vermont Bike Access Coalition

Vermont hosts multiple locally-based bicycle access organizations that accept donated bikes, refurbish them, and return them to community members for reduced or no cost. This group has come together informally with plans to network, share learning, collaborate, fundraise, and advocate. The following is a current list with brief descriptions of member/partners.

Bellows Falls Community Bike Project

Website URL: <https://bfbike.org/>

Contact Name: Bonnie Anderson, info@bfbike.org

Brief Description of Programs: Our mission is to provide the Greater Falls community a space for all to access bicycles, learn bike repair and safe riding skills. Our vision is a flourishing culture of bicycling, as a means of alternative transportation, self-sufficiency and overall wellness. We are a full-service bike shop offering expert repair, cleaning and upgrades. There are “like new” and refurbished bikes for sale, along with new and used bicycle parts and accessories.

The Bike Hub in Bennington

Website URL: www.ourbikehub.com

Contact Name: Chris Callahan, info@ourbikehub.com

Social Media: @ourbikehub (Facebook, Instagram)

Brief Description of Programs: Full retail sales and service shop, education and outreach programs focused on standardizing biking as a form of transportation, biking for the whole family, cycling access for all populations, safety / security / maintenance.

Freeride Montpelier

Website URL: <https://freeridemontpelier.org/>

Contact Name: Phoenix Mitchell, phoenix@freeridemontpelier.org

Brief Description of Programs: Freeride Montpelier, a collectively organized nonprofit welcoming all community members, promotes bicycling as an affordable, sustainable, and joyful means of transportation. We provide community-wide access to the knowledge, tools and support for maintenance and safe riding, as well as access to pre-owned bikes and parts.

The Link in St. Johnsbury

Website URL: <http://www.linkvt.org/>

Contact Name: Board Chair John Raser - linkvt2017@gmail.com

Brief Description of Programs: Northeast Vermont's open workspace for bicycle repair, maintenance, and discovery

Old Spokes Home in Burlington

Website URL: www.oldspokeshome.com

Contact Name: Jon Copans, Executive Director - jon@oldspokeshome.com

Brief Description of Programs: Old Spokes Home works to transform lives and communities by increasing access to bicycles in Burlington's Old North End. With multiple programs we provide both bikes and learning opportunities to adults and kids who might not have access otherwise.

Restorative Spokes - Springfield

Website URL: <https://www.greaterfallscjc.org/programs-and-services.html>

Contact Name: Thomas Miller, tmillervt@gmail.com, (802)-369-4038

Brief Description of Programs: As a Greater Falls Restorative Justice Center program I have worked with ex cons on parole or just looking for a positive role model and a free bike. Most of the time I'm doing F1 racing pit-stop adjustments for people riding down the street or making something weird with spare parts. I'm looking to grow the business and teach people how to repair their own bikes.