

*“When I hang out
with you guys, it
inspires me to ride
my bike more.”*

Peter Smith
Employment Coordinator
YouthCity

DIRECTOR'S REPORT 2003

The first full year of operation has been extremely exciting for the Bicycle Collective, and the momentum is building every single day. In October we received our official **501(c)(3)** determination letter from the IRS. Our year-end celebration in early December was a success beyond our expectations. Over 100 people attended and enjoyed a pasta dinner, music by local act Not Nancy, raffle and silent auction items, as well as an antique bike-decorated setting at the ground level of Stoneground Restaurant. The highlight of the evening was a personal address from **Congressman Jim Matheson**, who we thank wholeheartedly for a commitment to supporting our organization.

We are very pleased with the results of our “earn-a-bike” style **Bike Bonanza** course at *YouthCity*, Salt Lake City’s after-school program tailored to the low-income and refugee population. After three semesters and huge support from **Contender Bicycles** we have provided 25 kids with not only newly refurbished bicycles, but also the knowledge of how to maintain and care for their new bikes. At least one child from each one of these courses has returned the next session to help the other kids, and in the meantime work towards their second bike. Michael, a return participant, refurbished a mountain bike with front suspension, and recently finished rebuilding a classic Italian road bike. We plan to introduce Michael to racing in 2004. Another child, Trenton, is eager to use his newfound mechanics skills and works hard every session to assist others. We’re a little worried he’s going to take one of our jobs!





Providing free valet bicycle parking at the downtown **Farmer's Market** last summer was a great way to meet new people and participate in one of the coolest things going in Salt Lake City. In addition to the valet bicycle parking we offered tune-ups, minor repairs, and sneaked in some bike maintenance tips when we could. It's a delight to see eyes light up when someone learns the simple skill to adjust caliper brakes or a derailleur. Between 15 and 20 bikes were under our care every Saturday during the famous Market. We are looking forward to another season at the market and are working with the **Downtown Alliance** to encourage more folks to ride instead of drive to the market.



While recycling bicycles is the work, creating bicycle commuters is the real fruit of our mission. A handful of folks have received refurbished commuter bikes in return for their volunteer work with us. After an elderly bike commuter got his bike stolen while resting in a city park, the community called us and we furnished him with a refurbished cruiser. Just before Christmas, we refurbished 35 used bicycles that were given to kids of all ages at Navajo Santa, a non-profit created to provide necessities to Navajos in need on the reservation in southeastern Utah. By helping folks get on a bike, we hope to share the viability of pollution-free, inexpensive, healthy and fun transportation.

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COMMUNITY SUPPORT



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We want to extend a special thanks to the bicycle shops who have donated product and pledged their support to our mission:

Contender Bicycles
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Wasatch Touring

We hope to extend our partnerships in working towards a safe and livable community.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Salt Lake City Bicycle Collective is to promote cycling as an effective and sustainable form of transportation and as a cornerstone of a cleaner, healthier and safer society. The Bicycle Collective provides free and discounted cycling resources to the community, focusing on children and low income households.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Collective's first grant award from the John C. Griswold Foundation in 2002 extended towards our efforts in 2003, when expenses roughly doubled our income.

		Totals
INCOME	Foundations	\$750
	Events	\$1,306
	Individuals	\$826
		<hr/> \$2882
EXPENSES	YouthCity	\$1050.68
	Equipment	\$ 600.00
	Advertising	\$1247.20
	Legal, 501 (c)(3)	\$1639.50
	Fundraising	\$375.03
	Administrative	\$806.75
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