



2023 ANNUAL REPORT











OUR VISION

Happy, healthy, confident kids.

OUR MISSION

Getting kids on bikes. Promoting and cultivating healthy, active, outdoor lifestyles while teaching bike skills, safety and stewardship.

OUR VALUES

Accessibility Diversity
Adventure Fun
Community Health
Safety









Bike Camp Stats:

- 340 kids participated in Bike Camp (80% increase from 2022)
- New in 2023 Bike Camp for Littles, ages 4-6
- 8 weeks of camp
- 9 scholarships were awarded

"This summer was our first summer doing Velo Kids Bike Camps. Our son has ADHD so we are always looking for activities to keep him busy. The bike camps were perfect to keep him engaged and physically active! He came home happy and tired out, a win win!"

- Velo Kids mom





We believe in fostering community, diversity and health. Velo Kids Community Rides are free bike events for kids ages 2-10, teaching bike safety and skills. Our goal is to get kids outside and excited to ride their bikes!

2023 Community Ride Stats:

- 4 Community Rides (2 in Holland and 2 in Grand Haven)
- 130 families attended
- 35 coaches and volunteers
- 10+ kids learned to bike at a Community Ride
- Community Rides continue to be FREE for all
- Velo Kids Bike Library was at all rides, with bikes and helmets for kids to borrow during the ride







JUNIOR VELO ADVENTURE BIKE CLUB



Building active and engaged kids through biking! Junior Velo Adventure Bike Club riders met weekly throughout the summer to improve their skills and fitness with fun and challenging trail rides at local trails.



- 81 riders
- 5 different trails
- 4 scholarships were awarded





HAVE FUN

MAKE FRIENDS

BUILD CONFIDENCE

FIND ADVENTURE





In 2023 we expanded our Community Outreach Rides, making bikes accessible to more than 300 kids.

By collaborating with the ARC Project, the Boys & Girls Club, Ottawa County Juvenile Court Summer Programs and Tri-Cities YMCA, ACTS Holland, and United in Christ Ministries we were able to **ride with more than 300!**

Bikes and helmets were provided for all riders thanks to the Velo Kids Bike Library!













"We look forward to riding with Velo Kids every summer. Most of the kids involved in our program have never ridden a mountain bike in the woods. Velo Kids provides amazing coaches, great bikes, and an opportunity to have an experience that they probably never would otherwise."

-Michael Gregory **Group Lead** 20th Judicial Circuit Court



The Velo Kids Shred Shed is a shed of bikes, helmets, tools, bike curriculum and equipment at Riley Trails. Bikes and helmets can be checked out during all Velo Kids Outreach Rides, Community Rides and other rides, breaking down a key barrier for kids who might otherwise be unable to participate. The Velo Kids Trailer is a second Bike Library, full of equipment that we utilize at offsite locations. Getting more kids on bikes!

Shred Shed and Bike Library Stats:

- 300+ kids utilized bikes from the Shred Shed and the Bike Library Trailer in 2023
- The Bike Library Trailer was utilized at over 30 events this summer, including Community Rides, Bike Camps, Junior Velo rides, the Holland Kids Triathlon, Bike Bash, the Water Festival with the Outdoor Discovery Center, Learn-to-Bike events, Grand Haven Public Schools and more!









Bike Bash was an end-of-summer bike celebration for the entire family. Including a family bike ride, bike games and biketastic activities.

Bike Bash Stats:

- 180 kids participated
- Kids ages 2-14
- 40 volunteers and coaches
- An incredibly fun day on bikes!







Coaches and Volunteers were properly screened and trained, including: background checks, safety, process and procedure training, Sensitivity Training with the Children's Advocacy Center and First Aid Training.

COACHES AND VOLUNTEERS - 62 COACHES IN 2023

Lauren Aprill Jason Bailey Adam Berghuis **Emily Bierma** Heather Boswell Aidan Brinks Marisa Brinks Victoria Carpenter **Brody Crandall** Cory Dams Gavin Dannenberg Hayden Dannenberg Chris DenHerder* Nico DiLaura Tony DiLaura Lyla Dowling

Aaron Dowling* Crystal Falik Katie Finedell James Fleming David Fleming* Sam Geenen Travis Gibbs* Brad Haveman-Gould Abby Harris* Martin Harris* Natalie Hirdes* Jacob Hook Jen Jones Josh Knap Nate Koster* Will Kramer

Iill Landman Hannah Landman Gavin Lubbers David Mann Steven Marshall Matt Metzger Rocco Mularoni Ian Petruska Scott Przystas Phil Rozema* Cameron Rynsberger Ryan Smith Nathan Steen Josh Stowie **Greg Straw** Mark Strikwerda*

Shaina Strikwerda*
Wyatt Taylor-Denooyer
Russ Tiles
Isaac Trowbridge
Meghan Trowbridge
Ryan Vos
Kirk Walter
Josh Watson
Josh Westhouse
Aaron Westhouse*
Jenny White
Macen White
Craig Yoas
Zeke Zwiep

*Board Members









We are thankful for our incredible community partners who see the need for encouraging kids to get outside and be active!

- ACT Ministries
- ARC Project
- Boys & Girls Club
- City of Holland Parks and Recreation
- Eighth Day Farm
- Escape Ministries
- Grand Haven Public Schools
- Holland Police Department

- Michigan's Edge Mountain Bike Association
- Ottawa County Parks Department
- Ottawa County Juvenile Court
- Outdoor Discovery Center
- Tri Cities YMCA
- United in Christ Ministries
- Vivela Latino Cycling Team
- Windmill Island Gardens









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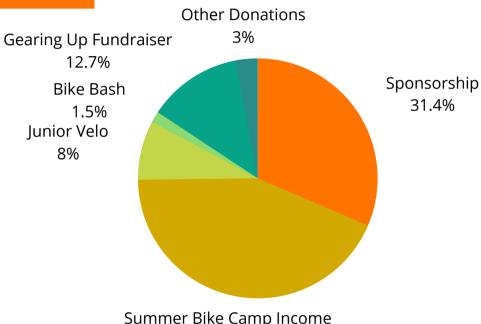
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Michigan's Edge Mountain Bike Association Primal

Because of you, we've been able to empower the young and get more kids on bikes! Because of you, we have begun the work to promote and cultivate healthy, active, outdoor lifestyles within our community. Thank you!

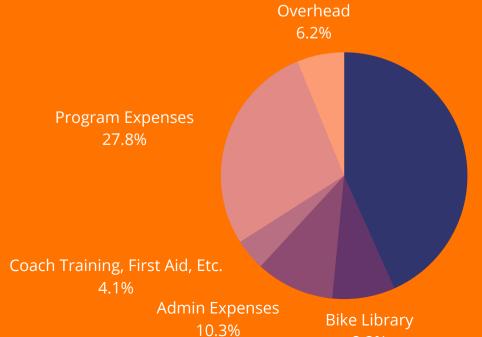


REVENUE



Summer Bike Camp Income 43.4%

EXPENSES



Bike Library 8.2%

Coach Payroll

43.3%



















LET'S GET MORE KIDS ON BIKES!

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