



UBC'S COMMUNITY BIKE SHOP

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Bici Libre Call for Volunteers

The Bici Libre initiative recycles bikes and rebuilds them for the use of migrant farm workers across Metro Vancouver and the Fraser Valley. Farm workers that come from other countries via the Temporary Foreign Workers Program often live at the farms on which they work, far from town centres and have limited access to basic necessities.

Their time off is limited and with mobility restrictions, workers often face difficulties accessing services like banking, medical care and groceries. Our goal is to support workers during their stay and to ensure transportation is not a limitation in their life in Canada.

Join the Outreach Team

We're looking for volunteers to join the Bici Libre outreach team! This involves traveling with a group of Bike Kitchen staff and volunteers to farms and other accessible locations across the Lower Mainland to provide bikes, tune-ups and accessories to migrant farm workers. The clinics are generally on Sundays and tend to be a full day commitment.

Requirements

- Attending at least two clinics over the course of the summer
- Understanding of anti-oppressive values and the importance of cultural sensitivity & confidentiality
- Basic bike maintenance skills and a desire to learn more!
- Spanish language skills considered an asset

Perks

In addition to the perks available to Bike Kitchen drop-in volunteers, the Bici Libre Outreach Team is also eligible for these additional perks:

- Lunch and snacks provided at clinics
- Discounted or free registration to our workshops
- Bike Kitchen T-shirt & water bottle
- A reference letter

Perks will be awarded based on level of involvement in the program.



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Other ways to Get Involved

Build Bikes

On Monday Volunteer Nights from 6:15pm - 9:00pm we build bikes for folks that wouldn't otherwise have access, including Bici Libre.

Translate

We're always looking for folks to help us translate from English to Spanish and to attend clinics and provide linguistic support to mechanics.

Administrative Support

Help out by providing administrative support for Bici Libre. This includes data entry, fundraising and blog writing, among other ad hoc tasks.

Donate

We're always looking for donations of bikes, tools, bike lights, helmets, locks and hi-vis vests. Please drop donations off at the Bike Kitchen. If you are donating four or more bikes, you can arrange to have the bikes picked up by contacting sustainability[at]bikecoop.ca. We also accept monetary donations via the donate button on our website.

How to Get Involved

If you would like to join the outreach team, translate, provide administrative support, or if you would like more information about this initiative, please e-mail bicilibre[at]bikecoop.ca.

If you'd like to help out by building bikes, simply drop into our Monday Volunteer Night between 6:15pm and 9:00pm.