



BICYCLE COALITION YOUTH CYCLING 2025 IMPACT REPORT

In 2025, the Bicycle Coalition Youth Cycling program continued to support youth thriving both on and off the bike. Together, we sustained participation rates, maintained All Star team engagement, created additional skill-building opportunities for our Youth Advisory Committee, expanded our Mountain Biking programming, and grew our 2 signature events—Hustle N’ Ride and Roll Wit It Fun Ride & Challenge. Once again, we’ve cultivated an amazing coaching team, motivated youth, and built our events into impactful community engagement opportunities.

DEVELOPING LEADERS

100% of youth leaders on the Youth Advisory Council reported growth in 2 or more areas (e.g., **leadership, teamwork, coping skills**) after the 10-week virtual leadership program.

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL GROWTH

92% of BCYC All Stars showed gains in 3 or more Career/Social Emotional Learning skills with the highest gains in the areas of **self management** and **social skills**.

“BCYC is family-oriented. It’s more than cycling. They push love. They teach you life skills—careers, professionalism, confidence. They step in where you’re lacking and help you grow. They plant a seed and water it all the way through. They don’t ask for anything except to see you succeed.”

– Jaheim Williams, BCYC Alum and Coach,
2025 Graduate of Shippensburg University



10 TEAMS

at sites from W. Philly to Germantown to Kensington



153 YOUTH

engaged in the BCYC Core Program



38 HOURS

(avg.) of physical activity per person in 12 week core program



27 ALL STARS

who earned the ability to take a bike home



\$28,000

in new scholarships awarded to 3 graduating seniors



5 EVENTS

attended by our Mountain Biking Team through our growing partnership with PICL



Future Gears: Workforce Development

This year we also took an important step in increasing our program offerings, by launching Future Gears, our **workforce readiness program for youth**. Partnering with JEVS C2L-PHL, we successfully blended workforce development with cycling-based learning to equip youth participants with critical life skills, career readiness, and of course, cycling safety skills and foundations. 13 youth completed the program in **its first year, 83% reported good/great career knowledge and skills and 100% showed gains in ≥2 applied social capacities (e.g. Collaboration, Communication, Critical Thinking and/or Creativity)**.



Bike Explorers

In 2025, we piloted an **elementary bike education** program, *Bike Explorers*, at Elkin Elementary in **Kensington**. Students at the school had contacted their council member to request bike programming and we answered the call. **20 4th grade students graduated from the pilot program and each received a bike, helmet, and water bottle to support their riding.**

Hustle N' Ride

In 2025 we grew our **signature event**, Hustle N' Ride, engaging new community partners, increasing event attendees, and **building community and joy**. The event took in **Hunting Park** and brought together 67 youth from our sites – as well as their families, various community organizations, Philly cycling teams, and members of law enforcement – for a day of time trials, crit racing, and a community ride for all skill levels. New this year, we partnered with Philly Running Alliance, adding a 5k Run/1 Mile Walk to kick off the day with 105 participants!





"The Youth Advisory Council has definitely made me feel more confident... [biking] became a coping mechanism, especially now that I got my own I can actually take my bike home. I definitely like, if I want to go right around the block now, or something like that, it's always there for me."

– Yania, Youth Leader



***Building healthy habits, leadership,
and independence, one ride at a time.***

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