



Recent tragic events involving cyclists in our community speak to the critical need for supporting bicycle safety projects. Please consider a donation. You may donate online through our PayPal account at [www.cibafoundation.org](http://www.cibafoundation.org) or by mailing a check to us in the self-addressed envelope provided, using the form on the reverse side of this brochure.

**Thank you!**



If we raise \$50,000 before the end of 2021, bicycle component manufacturer SRAM will kick-in a bonus grant towards our larger goal of a \$1,000,000 endowment.



**Grants disbursed 2021**

- B&O Trail Association
- City of Lebanon
- Fort Wayne Trails
- Friends of the Pumpkinvine Nature Trail
- Girl Scouts of Central Indiana
- Indianapolis Cultural Trail
- Momentum Indy 2022
- Nine13sports, Inc.
- Wayne County Cardinal Greenway

**Total Cash Awards & Grants \$ 23,000.00**

Historical grant recipients and funds raised/granted are available at [www.cibafoundation.org](http://www.cibafoundation.org).

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A Freewheelin' Community Bikes student gets grease on her fingers while learning how to take care of her bicycle.



A hallmark of our 25th anniversary is the fact that more Hoosiers than ever are riding bicycles.

**25th Anniversary Fundraising Campaign**

For 25 years, we've helped riders do that safely.

**Help us continue that legacy!**



**Future Olympians, Indiana Sports Corporation**

“As a young cyclist in Indianapolis,” writes Olympic coach Ben Sharp, “I began racing at the Major Taylor Velodrome when I had the opportunity to apply for a grant from the Indiana Sports Corporation funded by CIBA Foundation. The **Future Olympians Grant** made traveling to national and international cycling events more accessible.

“While I did not make it to the Olympics as an athlete, the opportunities that the grant provided introduced me to a different career path. I’ve been a cycling coach since 2001 and worked as a USA Cycling National Team Coach for seven years, guiding athletes to world championships and Olympic medals. Most recently, I coached Jennifer Valente in the 2020 Tokyo Olympics where she earned gold and bronze medals.

“The CIBA Foundation grant provided a means for me to chase my Olympic and professional dreams, but the real benefit extended to some of the nation’s best cycling athletes.”



Coach Ben Sharp & Olympic medalist Jennifer Valente.

**Freewheelin’ Community Bikes**

One of CIBA Foundation’s first grants was to the **Bicycle Action Project (BAP)**. According to Dean Peterson, BAP Board member, “BAP was started in 1989 by Charles Hammond, who created an educational workspace focused on young people building



Freewheelin’ youth ready to ride.

**B & O Trail Association**

The **B & O Trail Association (BOTA)** was founded in 1993 by Diana Virgil and a handful of trail supporters who wanted to develop a trail on an abandoned rail corridor in West Central Indiana. BOTA President Jeff Smallwood said, “For a fledging organization, designing and building a trail was daunting.

“From the beginning, the CIBA Foundation was supportive, providing grants for educational workshops, land surveys, appraisals, legal descriptions, and even purchasing land. These grants not only provided much needed funding, they were a great encouragement to a new organization that helped keep us going.”

professional work skills via the bicycle. Through the guidance of Hammond and community volunteers, along with funding from the CIBA Foundation, BAP served thousands of students until 2004 when it closed.” Three years later, Nancy Stimson opened a similar not-for-profit in Indianapolis known as **Freewheelin’ Community Bikes**.

Freewheelin’ Board President Chuck Okenfuss adds, “The youth served by Freewheelin’ Community have benefitted from a long relationship with the CIBA Foundation. Over the years, the Foundation has provided grants for helmets, locks and lights to the youth in our Earn-a-Bike program. We have teamed with the Foundation to fit youth with helmets at several events throughout the city. Foundation grants also allowed Freewheelin’ to provide road and hybrid bicycles to use in our ride programming.”

This support from the CIBA Foundation has continued through the years, totaling more than \$38,000 from 19 grants, including help funding two crossing signals. Today, the B & O Trail has more than six miles of paved trail, with five more miles planned for construction.



A cycling family on the B & O Trail.



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- Check attached: Make check payable to CIBA Foundation and mail to CIBA Foundation, c/o Jerry Simon, 711 Kessler Boulevard West Drive, Indianapolis, Indiana 46228
- Online: Visit [cibafoundation.org](http://cibafoundation.org) and follow link to “Donate to the Foundation.”

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