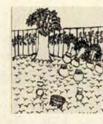


GO GREEN NEW YORK CITY!

Riding along streets, Greenways, and bridges using ferries and subways

- 1. To the Come see Recycle-A-Bicycle (RAB) at 850 Grand Street in Brooklyn. You can learn to fix your bike and even build one there. That is where we worked on our map. You can buy a bike at the Manhattan RAB shop at 75 Ave. C. Call 212/475-1655 or visit us at www.recycleabicycle.org
- 2. ★ We rode into Manhattan over the Williamsburg Bridge to visit the NYC Environmental Justice Alliance (NYCEJA), a group that helps New Yorkers understand and fight for their rights. We learned that some neighborhoods have too many bus depots and too much truck traffic, which means more accidents and kids with asthma. NYCEJA helps people fight against these problems. To learn more, visit www.nyceja.org or call 212/239-8882.
- 3. Transportation Alternatives (TA) encourages people to ride bikes and use human-powered transportation. The group works to make the streets safer for bicyclists and pedestrians. TA also pushes for change so that bicyclists will have more freedom to ride in NYC. To learn more, call 212/629-8080 or visit www.transalt.org
- 4. The River Project, a marine biology laboratory, is on the Hudson River. Staff and student volunteers research water, what's in it, and how people use water for fun and transportation. We saw crabs, different kinds of fish, and more. To get there, ride along the Greenway by the Hudson River to Pier 26 at North Moore St. To learn more visit www.riverproject.org or call 212/431-5787.
- 5. Take the Greenway to the **Hub Station**. The Hub helps people get around without polluting and has different vehicles like the PONY pedicabs. These are better than taxis, because they are cheaper and use only human power. The Hub let us try their skates, scooters, bikes and trikes. Visit their store at 517 Broome St. at 6th Ave., or call 212/965-9334.
- 7. M We spent an afternoon at **The Transit Museum**, studying the history of transportation in NYC. Back in the 1900s just as many New Yorkers needed mass transportation as do today. It took thousands of people to build the subway tunnels. The original subway cars are here, and we saw why commuters are called "straphangers." It's great that we can take our bikes on the subway. The Museum is located in an old subway station at Schermerhorn St. and Boerum Pl. Call 718/243-3060.
- 8. Bob Diamond runs the **Brooklyn Historic Railway Association (BHRA)** in Red Hook. He is restoring electric trolleys. One of his trolleys is 104 years old! Before buses and subways, trolleys were the way to get around. Today modernized trolleys create no pollution, can hold twice as many people as a bus, and stop three times faster! Bob is laying tracks for a trolley loop. Once his trolleys are running, Brooklyn will have clean, fast transportation that connects Red Hook to downtown and the waterfront park. We hope more trolleys come to all of NYC. To contact BHRA, call 718/246-2921.
- 9. We would can take your bike on the **Staten Island Ferry** for free. In Staten Island, we rode along a new bike path on Richmond Terrace to the **Staten Island Botanical Garden**. It feels like you're in the country. Be sure to visit the children's section in the Garden. For Botanical Garden information, call 718/273-8200 or visit www.sibg.org.

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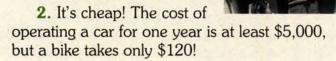
Welcome to the Go Green Map produced by Recycle-A-Bicycle's 2001 Summer Program

Our Purpose ...

We learned a lot making our map. We traveled around New York City on our bikes, using the streets, Greenways, bridges, subways, and ferries. Everything we do is affected by transportation: the environment, our economy and health. New York City has always been at the center of the country's transportation advances. We hope we can stay ahead. This map has ideas.

Five Reasons To Start Riding

1. It's fun and it's healthy! Riding gets you outside, and you can see and do so much more.



- 3. Bicycling doesn't pollute. A short fourmile round trip by bicycle instead of by car keeps about 15 pounds of pollutants out of the air we breathe. Air pollution contributes to the deaths of 60,000 people nationwide annually.
- **4.** Bicycling reduces traffic congestion. 40% of all trips Americans make are less than 2 miles long. By bike that same trip would take 10 minutes.
- 5. It's new! The Manhattan, Brooklyn and Williamsburg Bridges all have bike lanes! And you can connect to Greenways from them.



Go Green Mappers at work in Red Hook

New Ways to Get Around

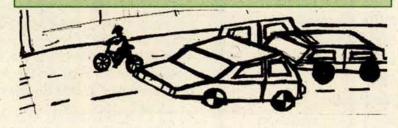
C an you picture NYC without subways? Before they were built, most New Yorkers rode bikes everywhere. They also used ferries. You can see the

history of transportation in NYC by visiting The Transit Museum.

We spent a lot of time thinking of new ways to travel. We saw

some of the best new ways to get around at the Hub Station in Manhattan. The Hub introduced the pedicabs you see around Wall Street. Pedicabs are bike taxis, but they don't pollute the air, and you get to ride outside. Find the Hub on our map and check it out!

Our Three-Way Race



We held a race to find out what form of transportation can get you around NYC the fastest. Our three teams (two bikes, one car, and the subway) all started at the Recycle-A-Bike Shop on Grand St. in Brooklyn, and we all headed to Times Square.

The subway won, but it got there only 5 minutes before the bikes. The car arrived a full 30 minutes later ... and couldn't even park!

To On the way back, the bike won.

The car came in more than 20 minutes later!!

THE DEMAND MAN SAYS

- 1. RESPECT OUR RIGHTS AS BICYCLISTS ON THE ROAD.
- 2. Fix the potholes!
 - 3. SLOW DOWN, CARS AND TRUCKS!

4. Make more bike lanes everywhere!

5. GIVE US MORE PLACES TO PARK OUR BIKES!

6. GIVE TICKETS TO CARS AND TRUCKS PARKED IN BIKE LANES.

7. KEEP TRUCKS OFF NARROW STREETS!

BROOKLYN DEMANDS

CARS AND TRUCKS: SLOW DOWN! McGuinness Boulevard is very dangerous!

THE WILLIAMSBURG BRIDGE NEEDS A SAFE EXIT FOR BIKES ON THE BROOKLYN SIDE!

** KENT AVENUE HAS WAY TOO MANY POTHOLES, AND NO SAFE PLACE TO RIDE.

WE NEED A BIKE SAFETY LIGHT AND SAFE CROSSWAY ON AND OFF THE MANHATTAN BRIDGE.

Key Contacts for Bike Access

For free bike maps for each borough, call 212/442-7816 For ferries and waterfront events, log onto www.water wire.net, or call Metropolitan Waterfront Alliance: 800/364-9943

For subway and bus information: 718/330-1234



The guy should get a ticket!! This big SUV blocked our path as we were riding along a greenway in Manhattan.

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Getting Around Without a Car, Charted by



BIKE RULES

- Obey all traffic signals, and DON'T GO TOO FAST!!
- Make sure your bike is safe to ride before you go anywhere. Use a bell and a light at night.
- **3.** Ride with the traffic, so neither you nor your bike will break.
- 4. Wear a helmet or go to the hospital!
- 5. Use your hand signals!
- 6. Bring water with you!
- 7. No tricks in the street!!
- 8. Bring spare tubes and a pump!

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