

## LOCAL MOTION JOB DESCRIPTION

# Volunteer Position at Bike Recycle Vermont: Youth Mentors



*Bike Recycle Vermont is an inspiring, welcoming hub of hands-on learning and service where the synergy of recycling, skills training, and bicycling propels a healthier community. Our mission is to expand opportunities for low-income Vermonters of all ages by providing participants skills training and sustainable mobility via refurbished bicycles.*

*Local Motion is a greater Burlington non-profit organization promoting people-powered transportation and recreation for healthy and sustainable Vermont communities.*

## GENERAL OVERVIEW

Mentors work with the many youth that come through the shop, who are volunteering, working on their bicycle, learning bike maintenance, or participating in the Earn-A-Bike program. Youth Mentors help guide children in the shop through different tasks, offering assistance and positive reinforcement along the way. The shop can be a very busy place; having an adult's undivided attention will make asking questions, finding their way around, and completing tasks easier and more fun for youth. If you feel comfortable working with kids and have an interest in bicycles, this may be the job for you.

## BRV is looking for adults who can:

- Enjoy working with youth
- Be patient and a good listener
- Do their best to transcend language barriers – for many BRV youth, English is not their first language
- Share knowledge of bicycle maintenance or can attend a one to two hour bicycle mechanics training period before mentoring
- Offer friendship
- Inspire confidence in the bicycle knowledge and mechanical ability mentees have and expand on that knowledge
- Teach by example, whether it be in regards to fixing a bicycle or by maintaining a positive attitude

## Hours

Tuesday through Friday 1 pm – 5 pm. A full shift is not required; working any portion of these hours would be helpful.

Earn-A-Bike has scheduled hours. If you are interested in mentoring youths during EAB, please ask staff for more details.

*If interested, please ask the staff for more details, thanks! 264-9687*

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