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City of Newark Hosts Bicycle Donation Drive for Newark Bike Project

Newark, DE (April 29, 2014) – The City of Newark Municipal Building is serving as a drop off location for residents wanting to donate a bike to the Newark Bike Project (NBP). Responding to a Facebook post earlier this month on Newark Bike Project’s page about their need for bicycle donations, City of Newark joined with Newark Bike Project as a drop off location offering longer hours for donation opportunities since NBP has limited store hours. Beginning Thursday, May 1, through Friday, May 16, bicycles in any condition may be dropped off at the municipal building during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Donors should tape or staple their name and e-mail address to the bike for a donation receipt.

Newark Bike Project is a non-profit community teaching workshop that recycles donated bicycles and parts back into the Newark community, keeping them out of landfills. They also teach bicycle owners how to repair their own bikes. Their goal is to enable short-trip commuters, such as University of Delaware students and downtown dwellers, with bicycles and knowledge to help them use a bicycle where it makes sense instead of a car. This eases traffic and parking in the City helping all modes of transportation.

Fixed up bicycles are sold at low cost to the public while others are donated to those in need at local elementary schools, local shelters, and anyone who cannot afford a bike, but would use one for commuting, errands, or exercise. NBP depends on donations of bicycles and parts, in any condition. Their volunteer mechanics will get them back onto the streets of Newark.

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