

Bikes 90800

Bikes 90800, is a great way to get involved with some folks who are really making a difference. Located in Houghton Park in North Long Beach (Houghton Park is at the corner of Atlantic Avenue and Harding Street), **Bikes 90800** has a number of programs happening all the time, including field trips (they are NOT just about bikes!), trips to the beach, movies, laser tag, camping, etc.

Kids have a chance to EARN their bikes, or parts for them, by doing work in and around the park and/or other areas. They get a chance to make a difference in their lives and the lives of others. The older kids take the time to work with the younger ones, to share their experiences and let them know how to stay on the right track. The program really helps to build a sense of belonging and self respect for kids!

Bikes 90800 has also put together a number of Bike Rallies (or "Bike Rodeos") since 2000, teaching Bike Safety and helping kids maintain their bicycles (note: the Rallies have gotten too big to help kids repair their bikes on the day of the Rodeos!) Kids have received free helmets, free food and a number of other prizes in the raffles held at the rallies.

Dave and Pat San Jose started working with neighborhood kids and their bicycles over 6 years ago. The bike theme naturally presented well as almost any kid either needs a bike or has one (and bikes frequently need maintenance). Many kids who really didn't have anything else going on were getting into trouble partially because they lacked a good sense of direction and something fun to do. One thing lead to the next and now **Bikes 90800** and **Peace 90800** have the support of some sponsors (see sponsor logos below!) and the City of Long Beach.

If you think you want to help out by contributing some time, or make other contributions (some very appreciated contributions are: Tickets to Movies or other "Kid Friendly" events, help with transportation, and of course, any bicycle related items), **contact Dave San Jose at (562) 570-1640 or come by Houghton Park most any Saturday between 10:30am and 2:00pm.**



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