

Finding a Pre-Owned Bike

If you're looking for a used bicycle, here are some ideas to get you started on your search.

- **Freecycle.org.** Membership in local Freecycle groups is free—and so are the items they offer.
- **Craigslist.** The classified ads website often has bikes for sale in most areas.
- **Youth bike programs.** This site focuses on kids, but some of the resources might be right for you, too.
- **Bike library/Community bike programs.** The International Bicycle Fund lists many programs.
- **Family, friends, or neighbors.** Ask if they have any bikes they're not using and would be willing to share or donate.
- **Garage sales, yard sales, and estate sale.** Check these out, as well as auctions put on by police departments and local governments.
- **Community bulletin boards and local papers.** Check these or post a request.
- **Thrift stores or secondhand stores.** Some common ones are Goodwill, Salvation Army, or Play It Again Sports.
- **Bicycle shops.** Many sell used bikes, especially at the end of the warmer season.
- **Outdoor education cooperatives.** These may rent or sell bikes in your city or town.