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West Windsor Township Recreation and Parks

I am writing as a trustee of the West Windsor Bicycle and Pedestrian Alliance to request the West Windsor Recreation Commission work with us to further support and enhance our township’s commitment as a Bicycle Friendly Community.

Over the past few years we have purchased and installed bike racks in most of the township’s parks, at Open Space trailheads and additional racks at the Farmers Market. More racks are slated to be installed in the rest of the parks and other public places. In addition, two bike “Fixit” stations have been installed at the train station, on both sides of the tracks to support the many bike commuters to and from the station. These repair stations have many of the standard tools used by cyclists to take care of most adjustments frequently needed. They also include tire pumps, a most important accessory for riders. Several of our members have observed and assisted many riders using these stations.

We believe the WW Community Park is a good location for another repair station. We have already had installed 8 bike racks in various places within this park, with help from Boy Scouts, with more to come. We have observed the area around the swimming pool and skate park to be very heavily used by cyclists, especially in the summer months. It is our belief that adding a “Fixit” station in that area would be very useful, well received and enhance West Windsor’s recreational reputation. We, WWBPA, would undertake the responsibility to inform the public of it’s existence, location, and conduct “how to” sessions to maximize the utility of the tools.

The product we have in mind comes from Dero, the same company from which we purchased the bike racks. The total cost is $1,083 plus shipping, (approx. $1150 total) and we are prepared to contribute 50% and request WW Recreation contribute 50% to this purchase.

Any questions or suggestions, please contact Mike Ruderman at rudermanmike@gmail.com or (609) 275-7484.
The WWBPA is a private non-profit 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to promote bicycling and walking in West Windsor Township and neighboring communities, emphasizing access, education, mobility, and safety.

The Fixit includes all the tools necessary to perform basic bike repairs and maintenance, from changing a flat to adjusting brakes and derailleurs. The tools and air pump are securely attached to the stand with stainless steel cables and tamper-proof fasteners. Hanging the bike from the hanger arms allows the pedals and wheels to spin freely while making adjustments.

The pump hoses on the Air Kits are made of rubber and wire mesh for added durability.