



# Mechanic In Training Application

For programming beginning on June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mechanics In Training (MIT) is a training and employment program at Back Alley Bikes (BAB) where **High School youth age 14-19** are trained as mechanics and instructors to work for the summer.

## What will I learn?

Bike Mechanics, Teaching, Diplomacy, Leadership, Problem Solving, and Customer Service

## How am I going to learn all this stuff?

Classroom Time: For five weeks you will learn mechanic, communication, teaching and riding skills

Retail Experience: All MITs will have shifts as mechanic's in a retail bike shop

Instruction: You'll act as an instructor at 3 youth programs a week

Riding: All MITs will learn safe riding skills and route planning, and one MIT will act as an assistant ride leader for the summer's Youth Ride! Club

## Back Alley Bikes is looking for youth who:

- think bikes can change lives
- aren't afraid to get dirty
- communicate well
- are interested in teaching
- aren't afraid of a challenge
- are curious and willing to learn

**Applicants must be residents of Detroit. Applications are due Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 by 11 PM.**

Tell us about a time you fixed something that was broken:

Tell us about a time you that you learned something new and interesting:

Have you had any jobs or chores that require you to show up at a certain place at a certain time each week? Give us a short description.

Why do you want this job over other work choices?

Bicycles have changed substantially over the last century. Bicycle ridership has also changed over the years. How has bicycle riding been involved in a change in your life or neighborhood? How did that change affect you? You may write on the back.

**All applicants must also complete the Grow Detroit's Young Talent registration process:**

As part of the application process please go to [gdyt.org/youth/](http://gdyt.org/youth/), scroll all the way to the bottom and click on the dark blue rectangle labeled "CLICK HERE TO GET STARTED". Page 1 asks you to fill in a referral code. The referral code for Back Alley Bikes is C1014.

You may bring or mail completed applications to Back Alley Bikes, 3611 Cass Avenue, Detroit, MI 48201. You may also email this application

To [bab@thehubofdetroit.org](mailto:bab@thehubofdetroit.org). If you have any questions about this application,

please call: 313.879.5630 and leave a detailed message!

