# A Green Crowd Funding Project that promotes health & wellbeing in Tonga

## Help Tongans Build a Cycling Culture and Industry. Your help will make a difference to individuals and a country.

You can be part of the development of a green project that actually helps to improve the health and wellbeing of the Tongan people in a direct way! Tongatapu is a small flat island with limited road network and all cars must be imported. Why not import bicycles?

Here is where the details of the project can be found: <https://chuffed.org/project/cycling-in-tonga>



Here is a country that needs support to set up a new industry. This industry will encourage people to be more physically active and thereby reducing the likelihood of developing diabetes.

Rotary Redcliffe in Queensland have already sourced, serviced and sent a container of bicycles to Tonga. This article describes their involvement: [http://rotaryredcliffecity.org/100-bikes-start-320...](http://rotaryredcliffecity.org/100-bikes-start-3200km-trip-redcliffe-qld-tonga/) Naomi who works for the Red Cross in Tonga is seeking to build on this excellent beginning. She is seeking funds to support the importing of a second container of bicycles. Naomi also has a Certificate 4 in training and assessment, so she is well placed to train local Tongan people in bike maintenance etc. Brett Richardson is bike enthusiast in Queensland and has a strong record in training, supplying and supporting the Tongans as a practical level.

But there’s a problem

*Importing to Tonga is costly; the distance is great. Also establishing a bicycle culture needs support and embedding into the Tongan community. While this project has practical support from locals, it needs much needed funds to make this international development project succeed.*

You can join us.

*We are seeking to raise $10000. $5000 is the price for sending a container load of bicycles to Tonga. The remaining funds will be used to support the training of locals, setting up bicycle events and to establish a retail outlet. The retail outlet will ensure the sustainability of the project. Rotary Fitzroy are taking the lead on fundraising.*

And here’s some amazing perks for supporting us that you can’t live without

* *You are eligible for a Tshirt supporting the Tongan Bike Club*
* *You will be eligible to participate in the bicycle events that will be established, the first entry will be free.*
* If groups and organisations contribute, you could become a sponsor with acknowledgements in publications.

All contributions will be acknowledged wherever possible.

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