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We All Can Ride community leader Michelle Hanna and her son Dominic show off the new Bike Repair Hub on North Woolsey and Trenton in the New Columbia neighborhood. The community resource, an outgrowth of the Community Cycling Center of northeast Portland, opens this month for two days each week to bring healthy exercise and safer riding to biking residents.

Repairing a Broken Chain

Bike Repair Hub at New Columbia opens

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While Portland may be recognized as one of the most bike-friendly cities in the country, this reality does not accurately represent all residents, particularly communities of color and people living on low-incomes.

Three years ago, Alberta Street's Community Cycling Center set about trying to understand why more people in some north and northeast neighborhoods don't ride bikes.

In the non-profit's recent community assessment, "Un-

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derstanding Barriers to Bicycling Project," the cycling center's staff found that complex and interrelated barriers like cost, safety, education and gentrification puts bicycling out of reach for many low-income people.

In its continued effort to remove such barriers and improve access to bicycling, the Community Cycling Center built a new Bike Repair Hub in north Portland's New Columbia neighborhood for all walks of cyclists to benefit.

"We believe all Portlanders deserve access to healthy choices for active living and transportation, regardless of their income, education, ethnic background, or street address," said Alison Graves, executive director of the cycling center.

Sitting on 82 acres, New Columbia is home to a historically

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