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Library bike repair station opens to the public

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Stuck without tools and need to fix your bike? Lucky for you the city's efforts to be bike friendly now include a free bike repair station in front of the city library.

Now fixed to the cement in front of the library is the "Fixit" station, made by a Minneapolis-based company called Dero. It allows cyclists to hang their bike from the seat post while using various common bike tools that are -- hopefully -- permanently fixed to the station with steel cables. There is also a heavy-duty bike pump for both types of common inner-tube valves.

"One of our community's top priorities is to improve bicycle and pedestrian mobility, and the Mountain View Library is pleased to have received a grant to support this effort," said Roseanne Macek, library director, in an email. "We hope our new Bike Fixit Station will provide a useful service for our community and help establish the Library as a bike-friendly destination. We will also be offering a variety of bike-related programs throughout the summer to educate the public about bike safety."

For smart phone users, a web address on the station links to Youtube videos with instructions on simple jobs, such as how to remove a wheel and repair a flat tire, adjust your brakes, or get your gears to shift properly.

According to the company's website, the station costs \$940.

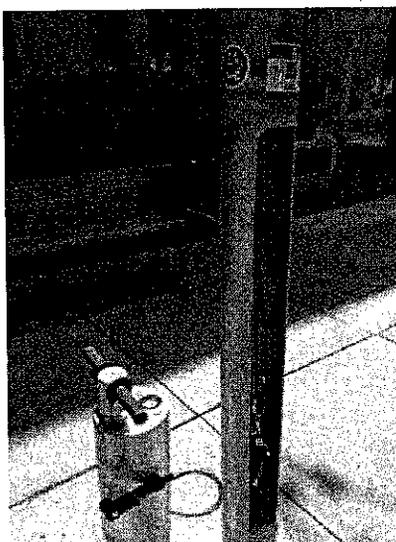


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