

Bill Walton and Friends Inter-Galactic Bike for Humanity event to benefit victims of Coronavirus and healthcare workers set for Saturday, April 25

Basketball Hall of Famer and San Diego native **Bill Walton** is teaming up with community leaders and [Events.com](https://www.events.com) to host an inter-galactic initiative, **Bike for Humanity**, on Saturday, April 25, 2020 from 9-11 a.m. PT.

One hundred percent (100%) of all net proceeds from the event will benefit victims of the recent Coronavirus pandemic, along with healthcare professionals who have so valiantly treated them during this devastating crisis. Those proceeds will be distributed among four participating nonprofits, Feeding America ([feedingamerica.org](https://www.feedingamerica.org)), the leading organization in the fight against hunger in the United States; Father Joe's Villages ([my.neighbor.org](https://www.myneighbor.org)), one of the largest homeless services providers in San Diego; #GetUsPPE ([getusppe.org](https://www.getusppe.org)), an organization that shares information and connects the community to help healthcare providers receive Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), and Champions for Health ([championsforhealth.org](https://www.championsforhealth.org)), a San Diego-based organization whose mission is to improve community health and wellness, access to care for all and support for physicians through engaged volunteerism.

Individuals are encouraged to get out and ride their bikes for up to two hours in an area where they can practice social distancing at a minimum of 6' 11" in honor of Bill's true height (at least the last time he was measured). Current CDC guidelines recommend a minimum of six feet of

social distancing in an effort to stem the pandemic. It is **CRITICAL** to note that Bike for Humanity is **NOT** a group ride and riding clusters are **PROHIBITED** due to the Coronavirus. Interested participants can ride anywhere in the galaxy as long as they are in a location where they can practice social distancing.

“I love my bike and I love being alive,” said Walton, a member of the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame and the National Collegiate Basketball Hall of Fame, of his reasons for helping to create this one-of-a-kind event. “These seemingly inseparable aspects of my life are great privileges, privileges that not everybody has, even in the best of times. However, with that privilege comes responsibility, obligation and duty. And with the global health Coronavirus crisis changing everything for everybody these days, we are doing something about and for the exacerbated challenges that so many of our communities now face, not the least of which are food and medical care.”

There is no charge to sign-up or participate in Bike for Humanity. However, there are multiple opportunities to donate and become more involved.

Participants who make a \$25 contribution will receive a Bike for Humanity medal through the mail. Those who make a \$50 contribution will receive a medal and a T-shirt. Participants who pledge \$250 will receive the medal and T-shirt, along with a personally-signed “Thank You” photograph card from Bill, and they’ll be entered into an opportunity drawing for exclusive prizes, including Electra bicycles and an all-expenses paid trip to San Diego to ride with Bill. And for \$5,000, riders will receive a medal and T-shirt, along with an all-expenses paid trip to San Diego to ride with Bill. Details on all the packages are available [HERE](#) . And it’s important to note too that for people who are unable to participate on the 25

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for any reason, Bike for Humanity is an ongoing initiative and outdoor enthusiasts should be proud to don their Bike for Humanity T-shirts and medals and get out and safely ride their bicycles when conditions allow.

[Events.com](#) is planning a live-stream of the event featuring Bill and other interesting people, however it will air on a delay from 1-3 p.m. PT giving participants plenty of time to get home following the ride to watch.

For more information or to register for Bike for Humanity, visit the event's official site, <https://www.bikeforhumanity.com/>