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Scarborough Middle School Bike-a-thon Raises more than \$23,000 for Frannie Peabody Center

Scarborough, Maine - On December 23rd, Frannie Peabody Center (FPC) joined Scarborough Middle School for the 22nd annual *Ed Wimer Bike/Walk-a-thon for AIDS* awards rally and check presentation. Students and community members walked 6 or biked 20 miles to raise support for FPC. Participants generated more than \$23,000 to support programs for people living with HIV/AIDS and for those at-risk.

Since its inception, the Bike-a-thon has raised more than \$158,000 for AIDS services in Maine. The event is driven solely by the support and participation of Scarborough Middle School students, local businesses, school staff, and volunteers.

Principal and Lead Sponsors included Hannaford Supermarkets, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, and FairPoint Communications.

Portland Maine - Jacob Roberson, Director of Development, "Each year we are amazed with the outpouring of support from the students and staff at Scarborough Middle School and that of our local businesses. The Bike/Walk-a-thon is a health-positive community event that heightens awareness around HIV/AIDS issues, cultivates social responsibility in young

people, and generates critical resources to support services for people infected with and affected by AIDS.”

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