The Kola Nut Collaborative (KNC) is a mutual support network of people engaged in reciprocal exchange of services, skills, and goods through a timebank where the currency is an hour of time for everyone.

Through membership in the Kola Nut Collaborative people: create and strengthen community bonds, create economic freedom by providing an alternative means to get needs and desires met, and encourage creativity in redefining self-sufficiency, interdependence and valuation of time.

The Kola Nut Collaborative introduces a paradigm where members reflect on the available resources in their lives moving from a perception of scarcity and lack to abundance and wholeness.

"Social structures and superstructures tend to adapt to changes in infrastructure." ~ Richard Heinberg

Our Mission

To promote and sustain a robust timebanking infrastructure which supports these non-monetary transactions amongst individuals and organizations allowing a greater sum of the realized value of work to be retained and shared within local communities.

Our Vision

To make social infrastructure visible within our communities. Social infrastructure describes the invisible bonds and relationships which constitute a generative capital that can be accumulated and circulated through timebanking.

What is a timebank?

A timebank is a member operated reciprocal exchange service in which members offer their time, skills and service to other members in return for time dollars or kola. A time dollar is equal to one hour of service. Those who receive time dollars can spend them with other members in the timebank for whatever service they might require.