

BECOME A FRIEND OF YORK COUNTY RAIL TRAILS

Your contribution will support the development of trails that provide recreation, health & fitness, alternative transportation and economic benefits to the residents of York County.

Benefits of membership include:

- A one-year subscription to our newsletter, TRAIL NEWS.
- Invitations to special trail events.
- Opportunities to advocate for trails.
- Special discounts at trail-related businesses.
- Knowledge that your contribution helped support local, trail development.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Individual Membership Levels (please indicate):

- ☐ Student.....\$ 10.00
- ☐ Individual.....\$ 25.00
- ☐ Family.....\$ 30.00
- ☐ Supporter.....\$ 50.00
- ☐ Sponsor.....\$ 100.00

Organizational Membership Levels (please indicate):

- ☐ Corporate.....\$1000.00
- ☐ Municipal.....\$ 500.00
- ☐ Small Business.....\$ 250.00
- ☐ Organizations.....\$ 100.00

Checks payable to York County Rail Trail Authority.

Mail form with contribution to:
York County Rail Trail Authority
PO Box 335
Seven Valleys, PA 17360

Or use PayPal.

<http://www.yorkcountyrailtrails.org/Join.aspx>

LIMITED TIME OFFER

Receive a free sports bottle when you join at any level!



ABOUT US

The **York County Rail Trail Authority** was formed in September of 1990 by the York County Board of Commissioners for the purpose of developing trails for recreation and non-motorized transportation. The Authority's first project was to develop the Heritage Rail Trail County Park along the county-owned Northern Central Railway.

The Rail Trail Authority is comprised of ten volunteers and one staff person who meet monthly at various York County locations to promote the development of multi-use trails. Meetings are open to the public.

The Rail Trail Authority welcomes the opportunity to partner with municipalities, civic groups, trail user groups, community leaders, and businesses to promote the development of recreational trails within York County. The Authority's level of involvement in a trail project varies based upon the project needs and can range from consulting to entire project management.

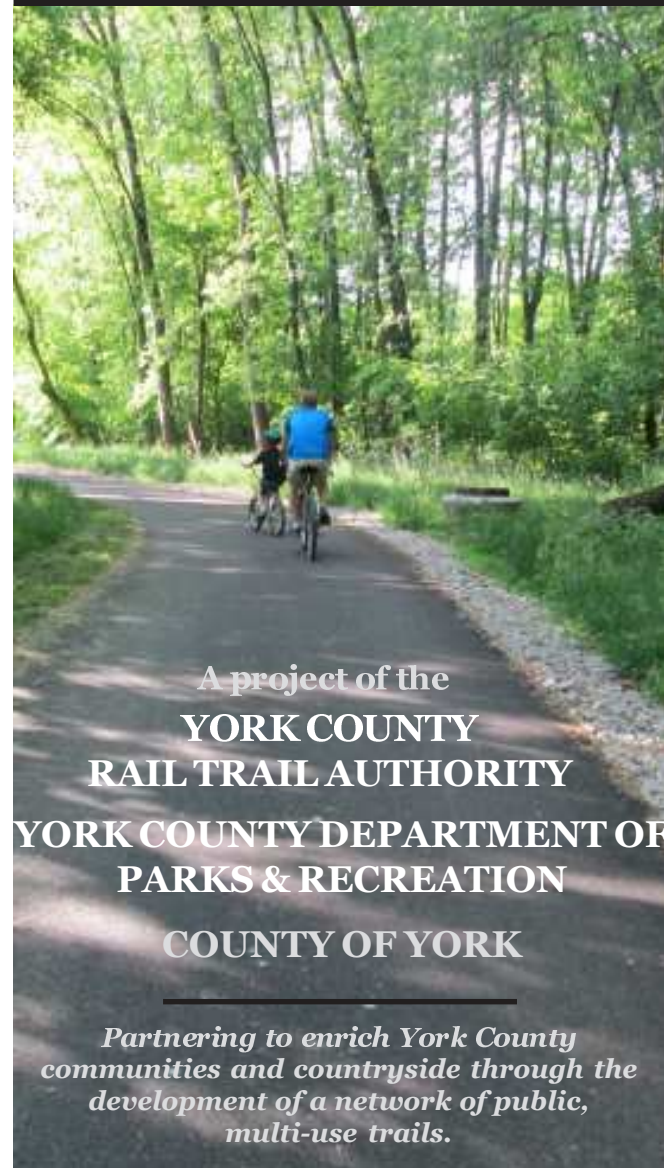
Statement of Purpose

To study, design, construct, and finance opportunities for the conversion of linear corridors into public, multi-use trails for the purposes of recreation and non-motorized transportation.

Volunteers Welcome

To serve on committees, provide professional expertise, conduct light trail maintenance.

NORTHERN EXTENSION Heritage Rail Trail County Park



HERITAGE RAIL TRAIL HISTORY

Two historic events, the bankruptcy of the Penn Central Railroad in 1970 and the arrival of Hurricane Agnes in 1972, presented the County of York with the opportunity to purchase an 18.5-mile section of the former Northern Central Railway.



By 1990, the purchase was complete and the York County Board of Commissioners formed a Rail Trail Authority to manage the development of the county's first rail trail. The trail, known as the Heritage Rail Trail, was completed in 1999 at a cost of approximately \$3.7 million and transferred to the York County Parks Department to be managed as a county park.



Within three years, visitations to the Heritage Rail Trail County Park reached nearly 250,000, and extending the trail northward along the Codorus Creek to John Rudy County Park was quickly gaining public support.

FEASIBILITY STUDY

In 2003, the York County Rail Trail Authority conducted a study to explore the east and west banks of the Codorus Creek from the existing northern terminus of the Heritage Rail Trail at Pershing and Philadelphia Streets in downtown York to John Rudy County Park.

The study presented an alignment using both the east and west banks, with three crossings of the Codorus Creek and five phases of development.



CONSTRUCTION

Phase 1, a 1.5-mile section from John Rudy County Park to Crist Memorial Fields, was completed in 2007.

Phase 1A, a 0.3-mile section crossing Crist Memorial Fields to the Codorus Creek, was completed in 2009.

Phase 2, consisting of a bridge spanning the Codorus Creek at Emig Road, 2.5 miles of trail on the east bank

of the creek, and a parking lot at RT 30 was completed in April 2015.

The completed phases total 4.3 miles in length and stretch from John Rudy County Park in East Manchester Twp. to the new parking lot at RT 30 and Loucks Mill Rd. in Springettsbury Twp.



Completing the Northern Extension includes development of: (1) **a ramp** in the parking lot at RT 30 and Loucks Mill Rd. to transport trail visitors up to the south walkway of the RT 30 Bridge and over the Codorus Creek (2) **Phase 3**, a 0.7-mile section on the west bank of Codorus Creek in North York Borough from RT 30 to Willis Run, and (3) **a portion of Phase 4** to the intersection of N George St. and Hamilton Ave. in the City of York. These three sections are currently in engineering with construction slated to begin in late 2016 or early 2017. The City of York and its Downtown, Inc. are taking the lead to **complete Phase 4** with the connection from the current trailhead at Pershing Ave. and W Philadelphia St. to the intersection of N George St. and Hamilton Ave.

DIRECTIONS TO PARKING AREAS

John Rudy County Park: From RT 30 follow N Sherman Street north, 2.2 miles to traffic light. Continue on N Sherman Street for .1 mile. Turn left on RT 24. Turn left onto Mundis Race Rd. Park entrance is on right. Rail Trail begins at end of entrance drive on right.

RT 30 & Loucks Mill Rd: From the intersection of I-83 and RT 30, travel east on RT 30. Turn right onto Loucks Mill Rd. Parking lot is immediately on right.