

Murrysville Trails Alliance Charter

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Mission

MTA promotes and supports the development and maintenance of interconnected trails and greenways throughout our community.

Vision

Murrysville will be recognized for the exceptional quality of its outdoor spaces and the trails that travel through them.

Background

Murrysville's Comprehensive Plan calls for "...the development of a Municipal-wide Greenway System for the preservation of unique natural resources and the promotion of greenway corridors within the Municipality." Greenways are designed to promote non-motorized transportation and recreation, including hiking, bicycling, running, photography, nature study, etc. More fundamentally, they are designed to promote an awareness of and appreciation for Murrysville's natural environment.

Tag Line

Building trails to strengthen our community.

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Major Strategies and Tactics (not part of the formal Charter)

- Continue to align our work with Murrysville's Comprehensive Plan and its Comprehensive Recreational, Parks and Open Space plan.
- Continue to align our work with the Westmoreland County Greenways plans.
- Promote the creation and maintenance of trails that span the municipality, using both surfaces along roadsides and dedicated non-motorized trails.
- Promote awareness and safety of Murrysville's trail pedestrians, bicyclists, runners, etc.
- Promote inclusive trail opportunities for all residents.
- Develop the constituency of trail users and volunteers
- Seek grants, support, advice, volunteers, etc. from agencies consistent with our mission.
- Provide support for trails in the form of technical trails advice, publicity, grant-seeking, volunteer support and coordination, etc.
- Provide advocacy for ancillary features such as vehicle parking, signage, maps, bike racks, etc.
- Become recognized as the main advocacy group for Murrysville's trails.
- Support the connection to the Westmoreland Heritage Trail
- Work closely with and maintain excellent relationships with Murrysville's council, staff, boards and commissions, and other applicable community organizations.