

Catonsville Rails To Trails

Catonsville Short Line Trail – Connection Project

Bloomingtondale Ave. – near 61 Mellor Avenue, 21228



Ribbon Cutting
Friday, 8/26/22
Bloomingtondale Ave.
(GPS 61 Mellor Ave.)
4:30 – 6 p.m.

The 955' Catonsville Connection section extends the existing Catonsville Short Line Trail – Mellor Avenue Trail to Bloomingtondale Avenue with the goal of further extending the trail towards Frederick Rd. Due to steep slopes in portions of this section, the trail consist of both a standard gravel trail and a wooden boardwalk section.

History

Completed in 1884, the Catonsville Short Line Railroad once ran as many as seven trains a day from Catonsville to the Calvert Street Station in downtown Baltimore. Passenger service was discontinued in 1897. Freight service ceased in 1972. In 2011, Robert Chertkof donated the land to CRTT who in turn, donated the land to Baltimore County. In 2006, CRTT volunteers began clearing the 2.2 mile trail which will extend from Charlestown Senior Living toward the Catonsville Business District on Frederick Rd. More information at www.crtt.org.



Start date of this section
Completion date of this section
Engineering:
Construction:
Total Length of Short Line Trail
Total Length of Connection Trail

October, 2019
 April, 2022
 Richardson Engineering
 Acosta Landscaping
 2.2 miles
 955'



BEFORE



AFTER

Donor	Amount
Maryland Heritage Area Authority - Grant 1	\$50,000
Maryland Heritage Area Authority - Grant 2	\$5,000
Patapsco Valley Heritage Area	\$4,700
France Merrick Foundation	\$37,500
Middendorf Foundation	\$20,000
Besson Landing Foundation	\$42,000
Sheldon Smith	\$25,000
Whalen Properties	\$10,000
Lion's Club Foundation	3,000
Mountain Club	1,300
David Horch	1,000
Stephen Bailey	515
CRTT Members	16,860
	\$216,875
Other Donors (Future)	
Catonsville Womens Giving Circle (signage)	\$900
Catonsville Historical Society (wayside exhibits)	\$50,000

Special thanks to:
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