

# **Petition in Support of Derry Rail Trail Alliance Project**

## **Support the Completion of the Derry Rail Trail - Bike/Recreation Path**

Target: Support the Derry Rail Trail Bike Path - Derry NH

Sponsored by: [Derry Rail Trail Alliance - www.derryrailtrail.org](http://www.derryrailtrail.org)

### **Petition in Support of Derry Rail Trail Project**

**I Support the Efforts of the Derry Rail Trail Alliance to Complete the Section of Rail Trail Between the Windham Rail Trail and the Derry Bike Path and Ask the Derry Town Council to Support this Effort Too.**

Once complete the trail will connect the existing Derry Bike Path Loop (4 miles) with the new Windham Rail Trail Bike Path (4 miles). Completion of the 2 mile section in Derry will provide a continuous 10 mile trail through some of the most beautiful natural lands in both towns for use by walkers, joggers, cyclists and other non-motorized users. The trail will also provide direct access for trail users to the town center of Derry - providing opportunities for both local businesses and trail users.

After you sign the petition - check out our website <http://www.derryrailtrail.org/> for photos, maps and other info about the trail!

To Donate in Support of the Rail Trail Project please send checks

Payable To:

Derry Rail Trail Alliance  
c/o Erich Whitney, President  
5 Wilson Ave  
Derry, NH 03038

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!!**

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**#254**

**12:45 pm PDT, Jul 10, Richard Caron, New Hampshire**

**# 253:**

**3:57 am PDT, Jul 9, Michaela Smith, New Hampshire**

**# 252:**

**11:47 am PDT, Jul 3, Catherine Sprigg, New Hampshire**

I recently have begun to ride the trail...I would love to have it paved all the way to Windham. It would be of great benefit for the health and well-being of our community.

I would love to volunteer.

**# 251:**

**11:06 am PDT, Jun 24, Kevin Sullivan, New Hampshire**

**# 250:**

**3:56 pm PDT, Jun 20, Thomas Eftim, New Hampshire**

My home is abutts the Derry bike trail. Having the trail paved like the town of Windham did would be a great accomplishment for the town and would pay dividens for many years to the town residents. This is a great way to get the family out to breath fresh air and to get exercise. I would go a step further and have some old fashion lamposts put in for lighting and to keep the trail plowed in the winter for year round use. It's very exciting!

I would love to donate my time by assisting with grant applications and whatever else. I would also like to propose that the town do something to clean up the old metal machinary dump near the little league ball park. Turning that area into a pit stop for thirsty and hungry trail travelors could help raise money for the town. It's a great location.

**# 249:**

**7:52 am PDT, Jun 20, Jared Withrow, New Hampshire**

**# 248:**

**8:59 am PDT, Jun 19, Nicole Withrow, New Hampshire**

**# 247:**

**2:07 pm PDT, Jun 9, Sandy Leandro, New Hampshire**

This trail is important to the community by providing a safe place for residents and visitors to exercise.

I am not a full-time resident so I would be unable to volunteer at this time.

**# 246:**

**12:25 pm PDT, Jun 6, Kaylin Wheeler, New Hampshire**

**# 245:**

**5:53 pm PDT, Jun 4, Annie Gibbons, New Hampshire**

it would be great if this entire trail was paved. I could get on it from my house and ride for about 8 miles

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# 244:

**5:43 pm PDT, Jun 3, Name not displayed, New Hampshire**

# 243:

**3:49 am PDT, Jun 3, Susan DiSalvo, New Hampshire**

# 242:

**4:57 pm PDT, Jun 2, Philip Disalvo, New Hampshire**

I would like to support this effort through volunteering.

# 241:

**2:00 pm PDT, Jun 2, Christina DiSalvo, New Hampshire**

It would be a lot more fun if the trails were connected!

# 240:

**1:47 pm PDT, Jun 2, Joe DiSalvo, New Hampshire**

It would be excellent to connect the Derry bike path to the Windham one!

# 239:

**6:59 pm PDT, Jun 1, Jayme Martin, New Hampshire**

Completing this trail would have numerous benefits for me and my family. As someone who would like to commute to work by bike, paved safe routes are crucial.

I am willing to help out either way.

# 238:

**2:37 pm PDT, May 31, Gerald Petersen, New Hampshire**

I think this is a wonderful plan. New England is a beautiful place to live but the roads are not pedestrian or bicycle friendly. These trails provide a wonderful place to exercise and enjoy our environment. I also think connecting our towns with this trail is a very positive thing.

I support this effort and would consider donating to it.

# 237:

**6:59 pm PDT, May 19, William M Kennedy, New Hampshire**

# 236:

**6:52 am PDT, May 8, Joan Tognacci, New Hampshire**

# 235:

**7:31 am PDT, May 6, Joanne Gervais, New Hampshire**

# 234:

**2:42 pm PDT, Apr 27, Allison Schofield, New Hampshire**

It gives us a place to ride without worrying about traffic.

volunteer

# 233:

**2:33 pm PDT, Apr 27, James Schofield, New Hampshire**

volunteer

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# 232:

**6:15 am PDT, Apr 22, Teresa DesRochers, New Hampshire**

My husband and I love to bike, and this would be a wonderful addition to Derry. Anything that gets more people physically active is a plus!!

I am willing to volunteer and will donate in the near future.

# 231:

**2:32 pm PDT, Apr 21, David DiSalvo, Massachusetts**

# 230:

**7:13 am PDT, Apr 21, Rich DiSalvo, New Hampshire**

Connecting this section of railroad bed to the Windham Rail Trail will be fantastic! It's great to see the Derry Rail Trail Alliance formed.

Would love to help make this happen and will support the project with a donation.

# 229:

**5:19 am PDT, Apr 21, Warren Small, New Hampshire**

# 228:

**11:03 am PDT, Apr 12, Keith Yampanis, New Hampshire**

Willing to volunteer

# 227:

**8:19 am PDT, Mar 31, Jack BEVELAQUA, Massachusetts**

# 226:

**10:01 am PDT, Mar 23, Colleen Falardeau, New Hampshire**

A continuous 10 mile path through such beautiful land will be an asset to anyone owning a home in this region. The need for an area to run/walk/bike on that is free from traffic is huge. I sincerely hope that this project is able to be completed.

I will be making a contribution soon and will also be able to volunteer as needed.

# 225:

**8:38 pm PDT, Mar 22, Kirk Hutcheon, New Hampshire**

This is a project that will make a Derry a better place to live. I am a Member of the GSW and I can wait to lead rides on the new trail.

I am willing to volunteer to work on the trail

# 224:

**12:44 pm PDT, Mar 14, Bob Mauceri, New Hampshire**

What's the down side ? donation & volunteer

# 223:

**1:31 pm PDT, Mar 9, John Maurice, New Hampshire**

A completed railtrail will show potential businesses and residents that Derry is serious about promoting gas free transportation and fitness.

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Of course . Next fund raiser or raffle count me in.

# 222:

**8:04 pm PST, Mar 7, Lynne Townsend, New Hampshire**

My husband and I both enjoy biking and last summer biked between Derry and Windham. We were wondering if there were plans to pave it and am excited that it is such a possibility. We have biked the Windham portion a few times and enjoy it.

I am willing to support the bike path with the possibility of volunteering. In the future I would also be willing to give a donation.

# 221:

**1:53 am PST, Mar 7, Orla Nyhan, Ireland**

# 220:

**5:14 pm PST, Mar 4, Name not displayed, New Hampshire**

Windham Trail is so wonderful and always in use! It's such a pleasure to have it so close to home. Our family uses it to bike, walk, snowshoe, and run. Let's work on the Derry side. It would add to the sense of 'Derry Pride' and give people a little ownership and responsibility in their community -- as well as a much needed recreational area.

We would be happy to volunteer time and clear, prepare and work on the path as necessary. Realistically, with all the scout and youth groups as well as the community oriented adult organizations -- there should be more than enough help on a regular basis. People are at a loss for opportunities to expand their connection to the community -- this would afford EVERYONE an opportunity to get involved in some way!

# 219:

**9:32 am PST, Mar 4, Tammy Kimball, New Hampshire**

# 218:

**7:27 pm PST, Feb 26, Ryan Belanger, New Hampshire**

Good Luck

# 217:

**1:27 pm PST, Feb 26, John Taylor, New Hampshire**

I have experienced the success of rail trails on Cape Cod and think this would be a huge asset to Derry and the surrounding towns. And that someday soon one could go from Salem to Concord creates commuter options along with the obvious boost to recreation.

I will donate and hope to volunteer.

# 216:

**8:11 am PST, Feb 25, George Potvin, New Hampshire**

# 215:

**7:21 pm PST, Feb 24, Ross McLeod, New Hampshire**

This is an incredible opportunity for Derry to enhance the quality of life for its residents and enhance its desirability. I say this from personal experience with the Windham portion of the rail trail. Years ago, it was a sand pit overrun by ATV traffic and enjoyed by a small number of users at the expense of the painful experiences of abutters to the trail. A few conservationists also fought the paving of the trail as a degradation of the

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natural environment. Well, what was so natural about letting ATVs run amok on this beautiful part of town? As it now stands, paved and closed to ATV traffic: noise is gone; abutters' quality of life is increased; the Neighborhood Business District at Windham Depot is re-energized; many more people use the trail than ever used it before; it is seen as a plus, even to the new development (Spruce Pond, of which Derry was part). In short, a huge win for the residents and the Town.

**# 214:**

**3:56 pm PST, Feb 20, Roger Dufresne, New Hampshire**

Finally!!! The town of Derry has done something to improve the quality of life for all of its citizens. The Rail Trail will bring families, singles, horseback riders, all sorts of individuals together for the purpose of enjoying nature. The proposed rail trail will bring families past 1 as of yet undeveloped town park, Quail Hill Park, and a very large wet land that is part of a conservation area that is approximately 300 acres. How wonderful!! This is so long overdue..... Keep up the good work. Keep up the good work.

I will be writing a check as soon as I finish typing. AND I might be available to help in some other manner.

**# 213:**

**10:35 pm PST, Feb 18, Nick Arancio, New Hampshire**

The rail to trail program has many benefits; a safe place to bike, a place to socialize, and it may even lead to economic benefits.

**# 212:**

**2:55 pm PST, Feb 16, TAYLOR WEIDNER, Colorado**

**# 211:**

**3:37 pm PST, Feb 14, John O'Connor, New Hampshire**

I have used the Lexington to Boston trail which is excellent. Many of the stores, shops, bike shops open their facilities on the back side for beverages, ice cream, repairs, etc. This would be a plus for Derry. PS. Cancel the \$80,000 for Manning St. and split it with the Seniors and support the trail.

**# 210:**

**3:48 pm PST, Feb 13, Evan DeLuca, New Hampshire**

I think this is a great idea and would roller blade the trail!

**# 209:**

**12:37 pm PST, Feb 12, Name not displayed, New Hampshire**

We love the rail trail as a family because we can all ride it. I have younger children and they love roller blading and biking on it. As they grow, a longer trail would be a great asset.

**# 208:**

**9:38 am PST, Feb 12, Kevin Carney, New Hampshire**

I am in support of this initiative. Once I contacted my Derry Town Council rep and was explained how Derry's portion of the funding was sourced and when it will be released this will be a plus to Derry residents and the downtown area which everyone knows needs help. This is a step in the right direction.

Please indicate if you are willing to support the efforts of the DRTA through either a donation or volunteering. I would be interested in supporting

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# 207:

**7:40 am PST, Feb 12, John Dooney, New Hampshire**

I can volunteer

# 206:

**4:17 pm PST, Feb 11, Laurie Harp, New Hampshire**

I will donate

# 205:

**8:29 am PST, Feb 11, Marc Sylvester, Minnesota**

# 204:

**5:03 am PST, Feb 11, Janet Sharrio, New Hampshire**

# 203:

**12:40 pm PST, Feb 10, Paula Mahon-d'Entremont, New Hampshire**

I not only believe in the virtue of bike riding for health effects but I would like to see Derry become more bicycle/walker friendly for the good it does for the environment (no need for car driving to the gym)and for the ultimate oil and gasoline that we as a town can conserve.

# 202:

**12:20 pm PST, Feb 10, Michelle Colgate, New Hampshire**

# 201:

**12:17 pm PST, Feb 10, Robert Consavage, New Hampshire**

A worthwhile expenditure of town funds

Would consider volunteer por donation after town offers support

# 200:

**Feb 10, 2008, Lori Dunkerley, New Hampshire**

As a resident of Derry we are very interested in having the trail paved to improve recreational opportunities for our family.

# 199:

**Feb 10, 2008, Debbie Magee, New Hampshire**

Need recreational opportunities in Derry. Great for kids and everyone to be outdoors instead of TV or computer screen.

# 198:

**Feb 10, 2008, Cathy Schelling, New Hampshire**

I would like to support this effort

# 197:

**Feb 10, 2008, Anonymous, New Hampshire**

I like the idea.

# 196:

**Feb 10, 2008, Linda and Robert Elliott, New Hampshire**

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# 195:

**Feb 9, 2008, Tom Grunewald, New Hampshire**

# 194:

**Feb 9, 2008, Nancy Artz, New Hampshire**

Please let us know your comments and thoughts on completing this trail.

Please indicate if you are willing to support the efforts of the DRTA through either a donation or volunteering.

# 193:

**Feb 8, 2008, Wendy Waskin, New Hampshire**

The Windham Rail Trail is great, extending this path would do wonders for encouraging alternative forms of transportation as well as encouraging out door activity and exercise for all. I am happy to see New Hampshire finally engaging in this effort.

# 192:

**Feb 8, 2008, Mikkie (Kim) Stevens, Montana**

I originally come from MA/ME/NH, but relocated to MT 5 years ago. I'm coming home to New England (quite possibly NH in fact) this coming October and I truly feel that we all need to do as much as possible to maintain and even rebuild our historical and natural sites. The long New England history is what I miss most about being in Montana. I guess it just becomes such a part of you that you don't miss it until you are away awhile.

I would love to volunteer, but for now it will need to be something I can do long distance....

# 191:

**Feb 7, 2008, Greg Ingersoll, New Hampshire**

This trail is necessary for the growth of the town.

# 190:

**Feb 7, 2008, Frances Tan, Kansas**

# 189:

**Feb 7, 2008, Jeremy Brown, New Hampshire**

Both

# 188:

**Feb 7, 2008, Nick Hooton, New Hampshire**

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**Feb 7, 2008, Brittney Hooton, New Hampshire**

**# 186:**

**Feb 7, 2008, Anonymous, New Hampshire**

**# 185:**

**Feb 7, 2008, Brendan Walsh, New Hampshire**

I've utilized this trail many times. This trail displays a wonderful, scenic stretch of Derry that should be utilized more by the community.

Yes, I would like to volunteer my time and get some work done. I look forward to it!

**# 184:**

**Feb 7, 2008, Jennifer Kantorosinski, Massachusetts**

I would like to see the trail completed for my friend jen to use for her daily exercise, and for all the others that will enjoy the trail.

**# 183:**

**Feb 7, 2008, Jennifer Raymond, Massachusetts**

**# 182:**

**Feb 7, 2008, Emily Lackey, Florida**

**# 181:**

**Feb 7, 2008, Adam LaMonica, New Hampshire**

**# 180:**

**Feb 7, 2008, Gregg Amnott, New Hampshire**

**# 179:**

**Feb 7, 2008, Brittney Amnott, New Hampshire**

**# 178:**

**Feb 7, 2008, Stephanie Hooton, New Hampshire**

I would love to see the trail continue through Derry

**# 177:**

**Feb 7, 2008, JENNIFER AMNOTT, New Hampshire**

**# 176:**

**Feb 6, 2008, Cathy Schrowang, New Hampshire**

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# 175:

**Feb 6, 2008, Stephen Young, New Hampshire**

The Windham Rail trail is a fantastic resource, and it would be very exciting to see it continue on into Derry.

# 174:

**Feb 6, 2008, Tayva Young, New Hampshire**

My family and I use the Windham Trail quite frequently for walks, skiing, biking. It is a safe and wonderful place to bring the kids. I hope Derry extends the path because it adds such a wonderful activity to the town.

I may be able to volunteer time - depending on what you need. I have a baby due in June so that limits what I can do, but I would be more than willing to help if there is a place for me.

# 173:

**Feb 5, 2008, Marguerite Orazi, New Hampshire**

I am a regular user of the Windham trail for biking and skiing. It is very beautiful. I hope others will enjoy it as much as I do. It would be great if it is extended into Derry.

# 172:

**Feb 5, 2008, Adolphe Bernotas, New Hampshire**

As a resident of Windham, I hope Derry will pick up where Windham left off and move to pave the two-mile piece of the Derry rail trail that begins at Lowell Road. This would give the residents of both our towns more than seven miles of a wonderful trail for recreation.

# 171:

**Feb 5, 2008, Alan Boyd, New Hampshire**

It's a beautiful stretch of trail between Windham and Derry. Completing the path would allow more people, from both towns, to enjoy it.

# 170:

**Feb 4, 2008, Susan Farrell, New Hampshire**

We love the Windham Rail Trail and would love to see it extend into Derry and beyond.

# 169:

**Feb 4, 2008, Romeo Danais, New Hampshire**

Its nice to have trails to ride/walk on. The longer the better. Connecting between/among towns id a great way for people to get around without using cars to burn fossil fuels and continue polluting our atmosphere.

# 168:

**Feb 4, 2008, Brenda Golden, New Hampshire**

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# 167:

**Feb 3, 2008, Eva Bak, New Hampshire**

Please consider making the connection to make the trail longer. It is such an asset to our community. It is such a nice resource to have and be able to go out as a family and enjoy it locally without having to go to Nashua or MA.

Can support through donation.

# 166:

**Feb 3, 2008, Kelly Mahony, New Hampshire**

This much needed improvement to the area will help keep area citizens healthy as well as create a little downtown tourism to improve it's financial health.

Will help in anyway I can.

# 165:

**Feb 3, 2008, Teresa Roche, New Hampshire**

It would be nice to have more area to walk and see nature

# 164:

**Feb 3, 2008, Donald Roche, New Hampshire**

My daughter and I go for a bike ride on sundays and would love to have more trails to go on

Yes I would like to volunteer to do some work

# 163:

**Feb 2, 2008, Stephen Copley, New Hampshire**

# 162:

**Feb 2, 2008, Katherine Lacharite, New Hampshire**

This is a wonderful opportunity for us to enjoy the pockets of beauty around us. "Build it and they will come", certainly has proved true for the Windham Rail Trail. A safe recreation trail appeals to all age groups. I have encountered many family groups, some with infants in strollers, a few with elders in wheel chairs and scooters.

I am willing to volunteer with the Derry Rail Trail.

# 161:

**Jan 31, 2008, Kimberlee Bail, New Hampshire**

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**Jan 30, 2008, Sarah Benson, New Hampshire**

My husband and I walk our dog on the Windham Rail Trail today. It is wonderful. It would be fabulous to have the trail continued through Derry. It would provide everyone with a place to walk, run, and XC ski locally.

**# 158:**

**Jan 29, 2008, Steven Loder, New Hampshire**

i ride the trails very often and LOVE riding. however, they are getting very picky and strict with them. what you guys are doing is great, thanks a billion :D

**# 157:**

**Jan 29, 2008, Tom Cardon, New Hampshire**

I support finishing this worthwhile project. Being an outdoor person I appreciate area's like this for hiking and biking.

I'm interested in helping out.

**# 156:**

**Jan 28, 2008, Kathy Victor, New Hampshire**

I'd love to see the trail developed in Derry. Hopefully that would get other communities involved and get the trail completed to Concord. I'd be interested in helping out.

**# 155:**

**Jan 28, 2008, Rick Caprarella, New Hampshire**

I ran the path from the park near Sanel Auto Parts to the back of Cyr lumber on 28. Then I had to run back! I think it was 13 miles total. What a beautiful area and a wise use of natural resources.

**# 154:**

**Jan 28, 2008, Jamie LaCourse, New Hampshire**

**# 153:**

**Jan 28, 2008, Thomas Jackson, New Hampshire**

Having lived on the back of the old B&M railroad for many years. I appreciate the use of this trail and its beautification.

**# 152:**

**Jan 28, 2008, Derek Lautieri, New Hampshire**

**# 151:**

**Jan 27, 2008, Christine Lane, New Hampshire**

A really nice family day out, we enjoy the miles of rail trails on the Cape and would love to see long stretches here, too.

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# 150:

**Jan 27, 2008, Andrew Lane, New Hampshire**

I live in Windham and I work in Derry. I think it would be great, maybe I could cycle to work!

# 149:

**Jan 27, 2008, Elizabeth Hayward, New Hampshire**

# 148:

**Jan 27, 2008, Erin Lautieri, New Hampshire**

As a Derry resident with two small children we would utilize this often.

# 147:

**Jan 26, 2008, Dale Wisler, New Hampshire**

A recreational trail is one of the best thing a community can do for itself. It will pay for itself many times over. Just ask anyone who lives near one.

# 146:

**Jan 26, 2008, David Unkles, New Hampshire**

This safe place to bicycle in Derry would be a huge quality of life improvement.

# 145:

**Jan 26, 2008, Elizabeth Wisler, New Hampshire**

Providing safe places for NH residents and visitors to walk, bike, inline skate, cross country ski, etc is a superb idea on many levels. It promotes the physical and mental health of residents (which we know saves resources in other areas in the community in the long run), fosters interaction of residents in the community (which promotes a community's sense of comraderie and its identity), draws outdoor enthusiasts to the area for recreation and subsequently other activities (bringing more dollars to businesses in the area), and also contributes to open spaces so vital for the existence of small wildlife (such as birds)as well as humans!

# 144:

**Jan 25, 2008, John Daley, New Hampshire**

I have enjoyed rail trails in many places. They are a wonderful place to walk or bike, and are a wonderful inducement to exercise, and a very "green" travel corridor. As a local family physician, I don't think there is anything better the community can do to encourage fitness and to make the area attractive.

I would support it through donations and volunteering. Hopefully the Londonderry portion will be completed someday as well. Also support Rails-to-Trails conservancy at [www.railstotrails.org](http://www.railstotrails.org).

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**Jan 25, 2008, Alice Mullen, New Hampshire**

Childhood obesity continues to be a health issue in NH. By increasing the options for recreation and physical activity, children and families can improve their health and lifestyle habits. The Derry Rail Trail is a fun, recreational opportunity for families and should be supported. The town of Derry should support projects that can improve the health of its citizens.

**# 142:**

**Jan 25, 2008, Norm Babineau, New Hampshire**

Improving this section of trail and linking the already improved sections will provide a wonderful resource for passive recreational use in Derry and Windham. Thanks for your efforts.

I currently volunteer with the WRTA and would be willing to help the DRTA as well.

**# 141:**

**Jan 25, 2008, Denise Urnetta, New Hampshire**

**# 140:**

**Jan 25, 2008, Piccirilli Nancy, New Hampshire**

**# 139:**

**Jan 25, 2008, Bill Stone, New Hampshire**

Our family uses the existing Windham bike trail on a regular basis. Extending the existing trail and adding the element of the downtown as a destination would be great.

**# 138:**

**Jan 25, 2008, Lori Gordon, New Hampshire**

**# 137:**

**Jan 25, 2008, Geoffrey Hewes, New Hampshire**

**# 136:**

**Jan 25, 2008, Tamsin Hewes, New Hampshire**

**# 135:**

**Jan 25, 2008, Julie George, New Hampshire**

The Rail Trail in one way for NH to stay true to our beauty and our love for outdoor activity. We will continue to have a hard time controlling the development in our state and by support the rail trail we at least hold onto a small piece of our heritage.

**# 134:**

**Jan 25, 2008, Joanne Wickson, New Hampshire**

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# 133:

**Jan 25, 2008, Lynn Clark, New Hampshire**

Our family bikes the Windham section of the trail frequently. It would be wonderful to connect the trail into Derry and beyond.

# 132:

**Jan 25, 2008, Midge Goldberg, New Hampshire**

# 131:

**Jan 24, 2008, Julie Johnson, New Hampshire**

Before moving to Derry I regularly used the Monon Trail in Indianapolis, IN. Trails like these are wonderful for getting people outside. It's a fun way to keep healthy.

# 130:

**Jan 24, 2008, Michelle Keaney, New Hampshire**

# 129:

**Jan 24, 2008, Donna Agresti, New Hampshire**

# 128:

**Jan 24, 2008, Rocco DiPietro, New Hampshire**

# 127:

**Jan 24, 2008, Andrea Crowell, New Hampshire**

# 126:

**Jan 24, 2008, Stacy Stone, New Hampshire**

# 125:

**Jan 24, 2008, Kelly Richardson, New Hampshire**

I look forward to taking my kids on this trail!

# 124:

**Jan 24, 2008, Ann Marie Webber, New Hampshire**

# 123:

**Jan 24, 2008, Anonymous, New Hampshire**

As a new mother, I would love to see Derry expand the options for families to be able to do things together.

# 122:

**Jan 24, 2008, Cindy Lizotte, New Hampshire**

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# 121:

**Jan 24, 2008, Tina Goyetch, New Hampshire**

We LOVE the Windham Rail Trail and can't wait for it to be extended into Derry!

Let me know what you need help with and I'll do my best.

# 120:

**Jan 24, 2008, Christina Gentile, New Hampshire**

# 119:

**Jan 24, 2008, Joe Crawford, New Hampshire**

# 118:

**Jan 24, 2008, Robin Doyle, New Hampshire**

I think the windham Depot trail is fantastic and it would be even better if it were longer! Our area needs more off-road trails for biking, roller blading and walking.

# 117:

**Jan 24, 2008, Michelle Baker, New Hampshire**

The rail trail is a wonderful asset to our area for people of all ages!

We would be willing to help by way of monetary donation

# 116:

**Jan 24, 2008, Laura Putnam, New Hampshire**

# 115:

**Jan 24, 2008, Grace Reisdorf, New Hampshire**

I love the section in Windham and have walked and ridden my bike there. I'll look forward to walking the Derry stretch someday soon!

I'm willing to volunteer as I did on the first stretch of bike path years ago by Hood Pond.

# 114:

**Jan 23, 2008, Craig Coyle, New Hampshire**

# 113:

**Jan 23, 2008, Kelly-Beth Coyle, New Hampshire**

The bikeway adds a great recreational opportunity for the surrounding communities.

Thank you for those taking up this cause.

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# 112:

**Jan 23, 2008, Carol Camelio, Massachusetts**

We have a wonderful bikeway here in Lexington and it is used constantly by area residents and visitors. It is safe clean and most of all very healthy for users to bike, run, ride ,rollerblade and walk along. Off road vehicles and dirt bikes are not allowed on this bikeway in order to ensure safety for all. The bikeway adds beauty and tremendous value to all the communities that it meanders through. We feel blessed to be able to enjoy this recreational haven that is shared by and cared for so well. We would encourage our Northern Neighbors to continue to actively pursue ways to enjoy the wholesome benefits that miles of recreational bike trails can offer.

# 111:

**Jan 23, 2008, Peter Dobratz, New Hampshire**

I think the trail will be a great asset for the community. It will help further revitalize the Derry downtown business district by providing new streams of people to the area. I will personally use this trail frequently during the warm season, both for recreation (bicycling and roller blades), and occasionally as part of my commute from Derry to Nashua.

Donation has been sent.

# 110:

**Jan 23, 2008, Raymond Vigeant, Massachusetts**

would use the trail often

# 109:

**Jan 23, 2008, Louise Broom-Peltz, New Hampshire**

I am in favor of anything that adds more bike paths to NH. I love the portion that is in Windham and use it frequently.

Yes, I'm willing to help with a donation

# 108:

**Jan 23, 2008, Anonymous, New Hampshire**

I've been on other trails and they are FANTASTIC!! A very worthwhile project.

Donations and possible volunteering.

# 107:

**Jan 23, 2008, Jeanne Latulippe, New Hampshire**

The completion of the path is long awaited and adds so much to the betterment of our community!

# 106:

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**Jan 23, 2008**, Diane Gordon, New Hampshire

# 105:

**Jan 23, 2008**, Barry Moeckel, New Hampshire

# 104:

**Jan 23, 2008**, Dina Rocha, New Hampshire

# 103:

**Jan 23, 2008**, Mary L Saggs, Massachusetts

Enjoy riding through the trail. Would like to see the Derry side paved.

# 102:

**Jan 23, 2008**, Donna Molinari, New Hampshire

# 101:

**Jan 23, 2008**, Phyllis Brown, New Hampshire

# 100:

**Jan 23, 2008**, Betsy Delfosse, New Hampshire

Paving the Derry rail trail adds to the community of southern New Hampshire.

# 99:

**Jan 23, 2008**, Jack Leonhard, New Hampshire

# 98:

**Jan 23, 2008**, Kay and Jon Normington, New Hampshire

We are the owners of Windham Junction Country Store & Kitchen. We are located close to the Windham portion of the trail. We have personally seen the effects of having people frequent our neighborhood business. The trail has helped us, as we have enlightened many people to the trail as well. We feel that extending the path into Derry would be a great asset to the town, both for Business and pleasure. If a letter is needed as a perspective from a business owner, please feel free to call us. 434-7467

# 97:

**Jan 23, 2008**, Denise Nadeau, New Hampshire

# 96:

**Jan 23, 2008**, Wendy Wetherbee, New Hampshire

Space for outdoor recreation especially for children is hugely important to any thriving community. We need more focus in our busy lives on being outside, without agendas, or scorecards, just breathing fresh air, noticing nature, and getting exercise. Completing our section of this trail would be beneficial to Derry and the surrounding towns.

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I think the only way this project will thrive will be through private donations and the hard work of the citizens that support it. I am sure that I will be able to help in some way.

# 95:

**Jan 23, 2008, Victoria Thomas, Wyoming**

# 94:

**Jan 22, 2008, Katherine Gordon, New Hampshire**

I am an active runner and over the summer the 4 miles that was paved from Derry to Windham helped out amazingly. If the path was continued into Derry that would be even better, longer runs for people who love running, and better walks for families.

I am fully willing to support the Derry Bike Path!

# 93:

**Jan 22, 2008, Ken Gould, New Hampshire**

# 92:

**Jan 22, 2008, David Breeden, New Hampshire**

I am a member of the Greater Derry Track Club and race director of the Boston Prep 16 Mile Road Race. I am also co-owner of New England Timing that can professionally time a road, bike, or triathlon race. If you wanted to put something together for a fund raiser my company could help produce the race at a reduced fee. Dave Breeden

# 91:

**Jan 22, 2008, Bob Ward, New Hampshire**

I support the building of this trail.

# 90:

**Jan 21, 2008, Anonymous, Massachusetts**

There are not enough trails or safe places to enjoy a bike ride in the area and this would be a benefit to people of all ages.

# 89:

**Jan 18, 2008, Laura Powers, New Hampshire**

# 88:

**Jan 18, 2008, Joel Savilonis, Wisconsin**

I have personally bicycle'd in and around the trail and its proposed route as a member of the Granite State Wheelmen bicycle club and also as a private citizen with my wife. Now that we have moved away, we still visit relatives and continue to exercise along those routes. We fully support all efforts of the Derry Rail trail Alliance to complete the connection of the two trails.

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I will support DRPT to spread the word about this project !!

# 87:

**Jan 17, 2008, Alicia Smith, Illinois**

# 86:

**Jan 17, 2008, Monique Wilton, Florida**

# 85:

**Jan 17, 2008, Sarah Garvin, New Hampshire**

# 84:

**Jan 17, 2008, George Brooks, New Hampshire**

I support all efforts to improve/increase the bike and recreational paths throughtout new hampshire!

yes a small donation or time volunteering is a definite possibility.

# 83:

**Jan 17, 2008, Kevin Gordon, New Hampshire**

This wouls be great for the town of Derry.

Yes, I support the effort and will help in anyway

# 82:

**Jan 16, 2008, Dale DeLuca, New Hampshire**

# 81:

**Jan 15, 2008, Lora Claus, New Hampshire**

# 80:

**Jan 15, 2008, Mike Hinds, New Hampshire**

# 79:

**Jan 15, 2008, Robyn Eler, California**

# 78:

**Jan 15, 2008, Lynn Wiles, New Hampshire**

Opportunities to do a positive project like this don't come often. Let's make this happen.

Keep me posted with volunteer activities.

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# 77:

**Jan 15, 2008, Neil Wetherbee, New Hampshire**

Supporting safe outdoor family recreation needs to be a goal in every community. Time spent outdoors by our children and their families has diminished greatly in recent years and we need to begin reversing that trend.

Both myself and other members of Community for A Better Derry have offered to volunteer their time and effort to this project. I would encourage everyone in the community to do the same.

# 76:

**Jan 15, 2008, Donald Chamberland, New Hampshire**

Cycling can be an effective means of inter/intra city transportation...not just a recreational activity.

# 75:

**Jan 15, 2008, Heather Mackesy, New Hampshire**

# 74:

**Jan 15, 2008, Susan Demarco, New Hampshire**

My husband and I walk the trail in Windham at least 4 times a week. It is so nice to see family, children, dogs everyone enjoying just being outside.

# 73:

**Jan 15, 2008, Kyle Potvin, New Hampshire**

# 72:

**Jan 15, 2008, Kristen Peredna, New Hampshire**

# 71:

**Jan 15, 2008, Lowell Von Ruden, New Hampshire**

I strongly support the connection of trails between communities. The Friends of the Goffstown Rail Trail ([www.GoffstownRailTrail.org](http://www.GoffstownRailTrail.org)), is working to develop our own trail, which will also connect into Manchester. Wouldn't it be great to be able to ride a trail connection between Goffstown and Derry someday.

# 70:

**Jan 15, 2008, Gregory Bakos, New Hampshire**

I feel it is critical that all of the communities along the Salem to Concord bike corridor improve their sections of the trail. Gaps in this regional trail will diminish the overall benefit. It would be short sighted for any of the communities to not take steps toward a complete trail, especially in light of the upcoming widening of I-93.

# 69:

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**Jan 15, 2008, Rebecca Everhart, Indiana**

**# 68:**

**Jan 15, 2008, Andrea Myer, New Hampshire**

A bike path is a terrific asset for a community. It provides for a safe environment where people of all ages can cycle, roller blade, walk and run. I grew up next to the Minuteman bike path in Lexington and was afforded the opportunity to bike, roller blade and run in a safe area. Expanding the Windham rail trail would result in huge benefits for all cyclists of all ages and be a positive addition to the community.

I am willing to volunteer to work on expanding the bike path.

**# 67:**

**Jan 15, 2008, Austin Baker, Texas**

**# 66:**

**Jan 15, 2008, Len Sheppard, New Hampshire**

**# 65:**

**Jan 15, 2008, Charles Chauvin, New Hampshire**

I really think bike trails are important. When I lived in Kansas bike trails were in every town and gave a safe way for a community to cycle. I think it is important to expand bike trails to encourage a healthier lifestyle (and I don't even cycle).

**# 64:**

**Jan 15, 2008, John Cahalane, New Hampshire**

Bike trails are extremely important to me and my kids. I ride a lot and sharing the roads with cars is very dangerous in fact this summer I was hit when a car that was stopped at a light had a passenger open a door into me. Please give us more places to ride safely. I drive down to MA to sue their bike/hike trails and they are very popular with lots of folks.

**# 63:**

**Jan 15, 2008, Paul Secinaro, New Hampshire**

**# 62:**

**Jan 15, 2008, Jean Manning, New Hampshire**

I currently use the different part of this trail often. I fully support paving and extending/connecting it. It is well utilized and an asset to the community.

**# 61:**

**Jan 14, 2008, Dick Lemieux, New Hampshire**

I strongly encourage Derry officials to get behind the construction of the Derry portion of the Concord to Salem bike path. If they want a sample of the benefit a recreation trail like this can bring to a community, send them to any of the communities the

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Minuteman Bike Path goes through. It is a wonderful recreation and transportation asset to all those towns.

# 60:

**Jan 14, 2008, Donna Cusick, New Hampshire**

# 59:

**Jan 14, 2008, William Fanning, New Hampshire**

Use of the trail will not only be fun and good for people's health, it will be good for business.

I am willing to help out as a volunteer.

# 58:

**Jan 14, 2008, Naisa Chase, New Hampshire**

Providing safe, inexpensive recreation opportunities for all citizens is essential to the health and livability of a community.

# 57:

**Jan 14, 2008, Sarah Cummings, Massachusetts**

# 56:

**Jan 14, 2008, Michelle Leonard, New Hampshire**

# 55:

**Jan 14, 2008, Linda Gould, New Hampshire**

Although I live in Bedford, I would use this trail eventually to visit friends in Salem.

# 54:

**Jan 14, 2008, Scott Garman, New Hampshire**

I am an avid cyclist and frequent bicycle commuter and want to see more options for bike routes, including the Derry Rail Trail. Please support the completion of this project.

# 53:

**Jan 14, 2008, DENISE Sylvain, New Hampshire**

I've been using the Windham Rail Trail since it opened and it would be great to go further along into the next town! I used the Cape Cod Rail Trail this past summer and it is over 20 miles long, connecting many towns together. It's a great place to get away from the cars, be with nature, and get some exercise!

# 52:

**Jan 14, 2008, Katie Johnson, New Hampshire**

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# 51:

**Jan 14, 2008**, Melanie Kelly, Nevada

# 50:

**Jan 14, 2008**, Lynda Downey, New Hampshire

# 49:

**Jan 14, 2008**, James O'Toole, New Hampshire

# 48:

**Jan 14, 2008**, John Obrey, New Hampshire

# 47:

**Jan 14, 2008**, Crystal Jack, Florida

# 46:

**Jan 14, 2008**, Lisa Caselden, New Hampshire

# 45:

**Jan 14, 2008**, Susan Walker, California

# 44:

**Jan 14, 2008**, Angela Heenan, New Hampshire

There are no areas for families to enjoy a safe paved path in our area and it would be well used by families in these areas. We need to keep America in shape and this would be lovely. I look forward to this development and my children will as well for years to come!

I would be interested in hearing how I can help this effort. Feel free to contact me if you'd like.

# 43:

**Jan 14, 2008**, Juliana Farah, Lebanon

# 42:

**Jan 14, 2008**, Steve Klein, Canada

# 41:

**Jan 14, 2008**, Pam Boland, Georgia

# 40:

**Jan 13, 2008**, Sevrina Crane, Washington

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# 39:

**Jan 13, 2008**, David Dunkleberger, Pennsylvania

# 38:

**Jan 13, 2008**, Sherry Veinot, New Hampshire

The Windham Rail Trail has been a great asset to the community. I am in support of Derry continuing the Rail Trail for the use of all. The best thing is to see the families all together and safe enjoying the day. Please keep it going!!!

I would be happy to volunteer.

# 37:

**Jan 13, 2008**, Stacey Mottram, New Hampshire

# 36:

**Jan 13, 2008**, \* Zentura, Wyoming

# 35:

**Jan 13, 2008**, Eileen Galusha, New Hampshire

# 34:

**Jan 13, 2008**, Lyn O'Toole, New Hampshire

# 33:

**Jan 13, 2008**, Anonymous, New York

# 32:

**Jan 13, 2008**, Ken Thompson, New Hampshire

# 31:

**Jan 13, 2008**, Nicky Elizabeth, Maine

# 30:

**Jan 13, 2008**, Thomas Pirovano, Switzerland

Hopp!

Yes!

# 29:

**Jan 13, 2008**, Vincent Del Signore, New Hampshire

It would be great to complete this 2 mile section. It will provide a great recreation for the residents of Derry.

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# 28:

**Jan 12, 2008**, Kevin Smith, New Hampshire

# 27:

**Jan 12, 2008**, Doreen DeLuca, New Hampshire

I Support the efforts of the Derry Rail Trail Alliance to complete the section of Rail Trail between the Windham Rail Trail and the Derry Bike Path and ask the Derry Town Council to support this effort too.

# 26:

**Jan 12, 2008**, Rick Letourneau, New Hampshire

# 25:

**Jan 12, 2008**, Carol Dionis, New Hampshire

# 24:

**Jan 12, 2008**, Diane Brown, New Hampshire

I love to ride my bike and think this is a great idea!!!

# 23:

**Jan 12, 2008**, Dave Topham, New Hampshire

The efforts of completing the Salem to Manchester rail trail depends on Derry building their section. Enthusiasm and ideas abound as promoted by DRTA. Let's work together to complete the Derry section for the benefit of local residents, bike commuters, businesses, and health and enjoyment of everyone using the trail.

Will continue support via BWA-NH and other resources.

# 22:

**Jan 11, 2008**, Joan Perry, New Hampshire

# 21:

**Jan 11, 2008**, Karen Connors, New Hampshire

# 20:

**Jan 11, 2008**, Valerie McAdams, New Hampshire

This would be a great asset to the town of Derry. What a great way to promote our town and get families out together.

let me know if you need help.

# 19:

**Jan 11, 2008**, Edward Muller, New Hampshire

Yes.

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# 18:

**Jan 11, 2008**, Carl Desfosses, New Hampshire

# 17:

**Jan 11, 2008**, Amber Indoccio, New Hampshire

# 16:

**Jan 11, 2008**, Anonymous, New Hampshire

# 15:

**Jan 11, 2008**, John McCully, New Hampshire

This is great for the community.

I would Volunteer

# 14:

**Jan 11, 2008**, Shawn Duggan, New Hampshire

This is such a great idea for the community, especially the kids and would make Derry that much more special a place to live

I might be interested in volunteering in some way.

# 13:

**Jan 11, 2008**, Lisa Way, New Hampshire

# 12:

**Jan 10, 2008**, Robert Marcotte, New Hampshire

# 11:

**Jan 10, 2008**, Bridget Distefano, New Hampshire

# 10:

**Jan 10, 2008**, Heather Lombard, New Hampshire

# 9:

**Jan 10, 2008**, Lee Fitzgerald, New Hampshire

As childhood obesity continues to grow, anything we can do to help our kids exercise more should be encouraged.

# 8:

**Jan 10, 2008**, Kevin Simard, New Hampshire

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# 7:

**Jan 10, 2008, Donna Thompson, New Hampshire**

My family uses the current Windham trail system and would be happy to see it joined with the Derry trail and extended to downtown Derry. I believe that this trail will be a financial benefit to downtown Derry and will draw many walkers and bikers into our businesses.

Let me know if you need volunteers!

# 6:

**Jan 10, 2008, Maureen Rose, New Hampshire**

# 4:

**Jan 10, 2008, Neil DeLuca, New Hampshire**

# 3:

**Jan 10, 2008, Erich Whitney, New Hampshire**

# 2:

**Jan 10, 2008, Glen Potvin, New Hampshire**

# 1:

**Jan 10, 2008, Mark Connors, New Hampshire**

I fully support the completion of the Rail Trail in Derry.

I am willing to both donate and volunteer in support of this effort.