

Petition in Support of Methuen Rail Trail Project

Target: Support the Methuen Rail Trail - Methuen, Massachusetts

Sponsored by: [Methuen Rail Trail Association](#)

We the undersigned support the development of the Methuen Rail Trail. We believe



Methuen residents deserve a safe place to recreate; a place for people of all abilities to walk, run and cycle without competing with automobiles for fresh air and the shoulder of the road. We want our city to connect to adjoining projects in the immediate area such as the Salem Bike-Ped Corridor and eventually to paths and trails beyond. We believe that this trail will decrease carbon emissions, reduce car traffic, enhance the health of our citizens, encourage all forms of exercise, and create a place for our community to connect with each other and with our natural environment.

We ask the Mayor's office and the Methuen City Council to support this effort too.

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We signed the "Petition in Support of Methuen Rail Trail Project" petition!

265:

6:30 am PDT, Sep 7, Name not displayed, New Hampshire

the section in windham is beautiful & awesome ,but a bit too short. It would be amazing to have a rail trail from methuen to derry

I'd probably ride this 2- 4 x per month

263:

3:56 am PDT, Aug 31, Name not displayed, Massachusetts

every other day

262:

5:36 pm PDT, Aug 29, Name not displayed, New Hampshire

once a month

261:

8:16 am PDT, Aug 23, Kerin McLoughlin, Massachusetts

260:

7:47 am PDT, Aug 23, Charles Boddy, Massachusetts

259:

8:30 pm PDT, Aug 21, Janet Nadira, Massachusetts

A wonderful idea! Methuen definitely needs it and all residents would benefit a great deal.

Weekly for sure!

258:

6:09 pm PDT, Aug 18, Jessica Healy, Massachusetts

This would be a wonderful addition to the city. There is a definite lack of a quiet place to walk/ride that is safe. I work right by the new Freeman Trail in Chelmsford and use it on a daily basis.

257:

5:44 pm PDT, Aug 17, Jennifer Tortola, Massachusetts

256:

7:21 am PDT, Aug 9, Gwendolyn Spitler, Massachusetts

definitely once a week, if not 2-3 times.

255:

6:14 am PDT, Aug 9, Karen Miller, Massachusetts

3 times a week at least

254:

9:48 am PDT, Aug 8, Yliana Robinson, Massachusetts

3-5 days a week

253:

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9:22 am PDT, Aug 6, Maryellen Viens, Massachusetts

i think it would be great. As of now having to pack up bikes to drive to a rail trail. this also would be a great opportunity for the community to come together in other ways.

almost daily!

252:

12:19 pm PDT, Jul 30, Maggie Corsaro, New Hampshire

I don't live in Methuen but was raised there. I hope my signature counts. I played and walked by the RR tracks when we were kids in the 60's. We used to fish there too. Wow..we were so lucky in those days.

I would love to walk the trail at least once a week at first. when the trail eventually comes through Derry I'd walk it much more. I'd be walking my dogs. (leashed using poop bags for disposal elsewhere) Suggestion: There could be a barrel every mile or so for pooper scoopers to use which would make it more convenient thus encouraging cleaning up after your dog(s).

251:

12:24 pm PDT, Jul 20, Debby Sousa, Massachusetts

I am an avid runner and would use the trail as a safer alternative to running on public roads.

250:

4:54 pm PDT, Jul 17, Chrissie Butler, Massachusetts

I would say a few times a week

249:

4:47 pm PDT, Jul 17, Todd Butler, Massachusetts

This is the first I have heard of this... I drive here and there every weekend to find a spot to go for a quick hike/walk with my dog. It would be great if there were some trails in Methuen.

weekly

248:

7:24 pm PDT, Jul 11, Kris Larkin, Massachusetts

As often as possible!

247:

8:16 am PDT, Jul 10, Shanna Crowell, Massachusetts

At least a couple times a week.

246:

12:34 pm PDT, Jul 9, Marleny Mosquera, Massachusetts

245:

9:05 am PDT, Jul 8, Name not displayed, Massachusetts

Methuen NEEDS this. With physical education being cut and the economy hurting people looking for quality time with their families this would be a great way to get out and have fun!!

All summer

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244:

9:14 am PDT, Jul 7, John Beckos, Massachusetts

I really wish there were more trails in Methuen I could take the dogs for a walk or run on. This rail trail sounds like a great idea!

I would use the rail trail on a weekly basis.

243:

9:49 am PDT, Jul 6, Christine Beckos, Massachusetts

I have recently begun road biking and am finding very few safe locations to practice. Methuen has narrow shoulders in our roads, and the roads are in pretty terrible condition to begin with. It would be highly beneficial to offer a safe location where people can be outside and active and not worry about traffic.

Several times weekly.

242:

3:24 pm PDT, Jul 2, Stephanie Callahan, Massachusetts

241:

10:55 am PDT, Jul 2, JOSEPH DEJESUS, Massachusetts

240:

4:58 pm PDT, Jul 1, George Drew, Massachusetts

Hopefully a couple times a month during good weather season.

239:

2:58 pm PDT, Jul 1, Mark Ciccarelli, Massachusetts

238:

12:31 pm PDT, Jul 1, Tara Krauss, Massachusetts

Every week in nice weather! Methuen is a great community but a hilly one and not a great place for families to do recreational biking/blading together. We would definately use this regularly as a family. It would make for an even friendlier, healthier community!

237:

7:36 am PDT, Jul 1, Denise DiNitto, Massachusetts

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we def use the trail on a weekly basis, our 3 kids love to ride their bikes and roller blades, and unfortunately our neighborhood is very hilly nor does it have any sidewalks. this would be a great safe place to ride. We actually driven to the bike path in Arlington, ma to ride so this would be nice and close!!

236:

2:11 pm PDT, Jun 30, Nancy Forcier, Massachusetts

235:

2:49 pm PDT, Jun 29, Name not displayed, Massachusetts

234:

4:29 pm PDT, Jun 27, Celine Izzi-Berthiaume, Massachusetts

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233:

6:33 am PDT, Jun 26, Patricia Emmott, Massachusetts

232:

1:53 pm PDT, Jun 25, Sandra Harris, Massachusetts

I grew in Somerville Ma and they did the same thing there and it was great!! It was so convenient to ride your bike, jog, walk or run the trail. I would absolutely love to see Methuen get on board! :)

231:

9:12 am PDT, Jun 24, Maria Wizboski, Massachusetts

2-3 TIMES A WEEK

230:

3:38 pm PDT, Jun 22, Adrina Lavigne, Massachusetts

As a resident of Methuen, I am asking the Methuen City Council to offer support to the Methuen Rail Trail Project. Methuen already offers some fine activity areas, i.e., Forest Lake, as well as its many wonderful parks. Having the Rail Trail would provide more opportunities for our residents to have healthy activities within our city. Thank you for being supportive of the Methuen Rail Trail. I am very active and would use this 3-4 times per week.

229:

3:18 pm PDT, Jun 22, Sharon Carter, Massachusetts

228:

11:12 am PDT, Jun 22, Martha O'Brien, Massachusetts

1-3 times weekly

227:

3:06 pm PDT, Jun 21, Shirley Gagnon, New Hampshire

226:

1:15 pm PDT, Jun 21, Patricia Kelley, Massachusetts

This is a great idea! I am very active and would use the trail as much/often as I could! 2-3 times a week would be great. It's about time we look into something for the people of this town that doesn't revolve around tearing down trees to build.

225:

6:33 am PDT, Jun 21, Charles Saba, Massachusetts

at least 2 times per month.

224:

1:40 pm PDT, Jun 19, Michelle Scott, Massachusetts

223:

9:14 am PDT, Jun 19, Bridget Grella, Massachusetts

How many times do we wish we could go on an adventure with our kids? How great will it be when it is in our own backyard. Sign to support our community and our children!

222:

8:33 am PDT, Jun 19, Rosanna Zingales-Lopez, Massachusetts

221:

3:38 pm PDT, Jun 17, Shannon Mittn, Massachusetts

all the time!

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220:

9:02 am PDT, Jun 17, J Hollingsworth, Massachusetts

219:

8:22 am PDT, Jun 17, Laurie Keegan, Massachusetts

I would like to see the rail trail in methuen, very much. My hope is that it will be paved, not gravel so that my children will have a safe place to bike and roller blade. Small children can not easily bike on gravel, please support the rail trail so that it can not just exist but be fully paved!

if paved our family would use it weekly in the nice weather.

218:

8:08 am PDT, Jun 17, Jeff Keegan, Massachusetts

This project is an excellent idea that will be enjoyed by many. As someone who frequently drove 35-40 minutes to get to the Minuteman trail between Bedford and Alewife, I have to say that the idea of a connected series of rail trails going through Methuen is such an attractive idea that I believe it could affect everything from increased visitors/customers to our town to a perceived increase in property value due to the additional recreational activity available in the town.

My family would use the rail trail weekly during the spring/summer/fall.

217:

5:47 pm PDT, Jun 14, Phong Le, Massachusetts

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215:

3:40 pm PDT, Jun 14, Kelly Hanson, Massachusetts

216:

3:36 pm PDT, Jun 14, Chad Hanson, Massachusetts

214:

9:23 am PDT, Jun 10, Audrey Savoia, Massachusetts

213:

8:19 am PDT, Jun 7, Laura Hatem, Massachusetts

2-4 times a week

212:

7:07 am PDT, Jun 7, Lorraine Farelli, Massachusetts

great idea

three times per wk.

211:

5:16 pm PDT, Jun 1, Heather Farrell, Massachusetts

210:

5:12 am PDT, May 29, William J. Herward, Massachusetts

I have used several rail trails near to my home and am in favor of this one as an option for connecting to the ones either in use or being constructed along the Manchester & Lawrence rail bed.

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Weather permitting - daily.

209:

2:36 pm PDT, May 28, Likam lie LIE, Massachusetts

208:

1:15 pm PDT, May 28, John Rainville, Massachusetts

207:

1:12 pm PDT, May 28, Liza McInnis, Massachusetts

I enjoy riding bike's with my family however it is difficult to do so with the sidewalks and roads being in poor shape.

We would use it three times a week

206:

3:11 pm PDT, May 27, Mark Mitford, New Hampshire

I would love to see a trail all the way from Londonderry into Massachusetts.

I use the Windham Rail Trail at least 3x a week in the summer and would ride down into MA if possible instead of just doing multiple laps on the current trail.

205:

4:05 pm PDT, May 26, Priscille Pappalardo, Massachusetts

I would use the trail frequently. Perhaps twice a month.

204:

2:52 pm PDT, May 26, Brian Gentile, Massachusetts

Interested in helping out

Every weekend throughout the summer

203:

11:22 am PDT, May 26, Joseph Pappalardo, Massachusetts

Weekly

202:

10:40 am PDT, May 26, Margo Burdo, New Hampshire

Monthly during the summer

201:

11:32 am PDT, May 20, Maribel Espiet, Massachusetts

Please don't sign anonymously - we need as many Methuen residents as possible to lend their voice to this campaign. Please forward this petition to everyone in your address book from Methuen.

How often would you use the Methuen Rail Trail? As much as possible. Will work in clean up efforts as well.

200:

May 14, 2009, Demetria Williams, Massachusetts

Twice a week.

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199:

May 12, 2009, Gregory Bakos, New Hampshire

I am actively involved in helping Salem, NH with developing their Route 28 corridor trail, which terminates at the Methuen town line, so I'm very interested in seeing the Methuen Trail developed as a natural continuation. Some day there will be a trail all the way to Concord, NH.

198:

May 8, 2009, David Stupack, Massachusetts

It would be nice to have a bike trail to ride/walk on without having to ride in traffic.

I would think several times during the spring, summer and fall.

197:

May 8, 2009, Kathy Furey, Massachusetts

I have recently started to ride a bike again and would appreciate a safe place, away from traffic, to enjoy it.

During fair weather it would be a few times a week.

196:

May 8, 2009, Cathleen Fragala, Massachusetts

I walk 5 to 6 miles daily and would definitely use the rail trail at least 5 times a week, perhaps more as the weather improves.

195:

May 7, 2009, Alexander Vannett, Massachusetts

How often would you use the Methuen Rail Trail? I would use the trail at least once a week with my wife and 2 children. I will donate my time and equipment from Brite Side Landscaping 978 685-9545 to construct the trail.

194:

May 6, 2009, Carolyn Beaulieu, Massachusetts

1-2 times a week

193:

May 6, 2009, Joy Beaulieu, Massachusetts

1-2 times a week

192:

May 6, 2009, Jeannie Morello, Massachusetts

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May 6, 2009, Heather Faretra, Massachusetts

A few times a month with the kids, maybe more often on my own.

190:

May 6, 2009, Lisa Conlon, Massachusetts

189:

May 5, 2009, Elena Powell, Massachusetts

188:

May 4, 2009, GERARD DONAHUE, Massachusetts

187:

May 1, 2009, Katy Murphy, Massachusetts

186:

May 1, 2009, Crystal MacLarty, Massachusetts

I am very interested in the physical fitness of the community. I take my daughter out on weekly jaunts to bike, walk, and run together. I would love to have someplace in Methuen to ride. It would save on gas and on the impact to the environment if I had something more local to use as an exercise center.

I would visit the rail trail more than once a week. I

185:

Apr 30, 2009, Emily Antifonario, Massachusetts

184:

Apr 30, 2009, KATELYND BUCKLEY, Massachusetts

WHENEVER WEATHER PERMITS

183:

Apr 30, 2009, Lori Smerdon, Massachusetts

Methuen is a great community and i would hate to see this not supported!!! Also - the Methuen Afterschool Project Committee supports this cause as well!!!!

182:

Apr 29, 2009, Anonymous, Massachusetts

181:

Apr 29, 2009, Susan Mullen, Massachusetts

A few times a week.

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180:

Apr 29, 2009, Jaye Fabino, Massachusetts

I would use the trail atleast 4 times a week.

179:

Apr 29, 2009, Christine DeRosa, Massachusetts

I would use the trail several times a week and would love to have access to a safer bike trail option than the busy streets of Methuen which can be quite dangerous at times.

178:

Apr 29, 2009, Linda Donahue, Massachusetts

We would use the trail often. We live in a fairly congested area on a cut through street. I don't feel comfortable letting my children ride their bikes on the road. This would be a wonderful opportunity for them.

177:

Apr 29, 2009, Doreen Brothers, Massachusetts

I would use the trail at least 3 times per week. I think its a great idea for families and people wanting to move and enjoy the outdoors

176:

Apr 29, 2009, Cherie Hagen, Massachusetts

Several times per week.

175:

Apr 28, 2009, Chad Downer, Massachusetts

174:

Apr 27, 2009, Robert St. Germain, Massachusetts

I'm always envious of the rail trail I pass under each day on Rt 128. Do we have to leave our community to take advantage of such things?

I would use the Methuen Rail Trail weekly, possibly more.

173:

Apr 27, 2009, Charlotte McCarthy, Massachusetts

172:

Apr 27, 2009, Jim Munro, Massachusetts

I am a strong proponent of rail trails. They strengthen communities where they are located and bring new small businesses to towns, bike shops, cafes, ice cream stands etc. They are good for communities..

often!

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171:

Apr 25, 2009, Jenna Langenbach, Massachusetts

170:

Apr 24, 2009, Diane Parker, New Hampshire

169:

Apr 23, 2009, Bianca Fajardo, Massachusetts

168:

Apr 22, 2009, Maureen Cassidy, Massachusetts

I use the bike trails when I visit in my folks in Florida. It's terrific! I'd love to bike safely here in Methuen!

167:

Apr 22, 2009, Kevin McGann, Massachusetts

166:

Apr 22, 2009, Christine Barbagallo, Massachusetts

165:

Apr 22, 2009, Jeannette Osgood, Massachusetts

often...i live behind the proposed trail on hampshire circle

164:

Apr 21, 2009, Christopher Vildavs, Massachusetts

all the time

163:

Apr 21, 2009, Kathleen McGann, Massachusetts

162:

Apr 20, 2009, Jeffrey Beohner, Massachusetts

161:

Apr 19, 2009, David Baldwin, Massachusetts

160:

Apr 18, 2009, Laura Lunn, Massachusetts

159:

Apr 18, 2009, Michael Feeney, Massachusetts

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158:

Apr 18, 2009, Michael Savary, Massachusetts

3 times a week

157:

Apr 17, 2009, Lori Cooper, Massachusetts

156:

Apr 16, 2009, William Beekman, Massachusetts

Having grandchildren in Methuen and being a former resident of the town myself, I think a bike path would be a wonderful addition.

I am a Senior Citizen who also enjoys biking. The streets can be intimidating for person my age. I would probably use the Methuen Rail Trail with my grandchildren a couple of times a month.

155:

Apr 16, 2009, Angela Rossignoll, Massachusetts

I would use the Methuen Rail Trail weekly. I think it is such a great idea. Since the railroad trail hasn't been used in many years.

154:

Apr 16, 2009, Michelle Cardello, Massachusetts

153:

Apr 15, 2009, Jamie Lee, California

152:

Apr 14, 2009, Jeff Osgood, New Hampshire

151:

Apr 13, 2009, Christina MacLaren, Massachusetts

When I lived in Indiana 6 years ago, I enjoyed the rail trail in my community on a regular basis. It was a beautiful place to walk, bike, run, and enjoy nature. I would be incredibly enthusiastic about having a similar resource in Methuen where area residents could get some exercise and fresh air and gain an appreciation for the natural beauty of the area's plants and wildlife. I strongly support this effort in Methuen.

I would expect to use the Trail at least once per week for hiking with my children. It would be wonderful to have a local area for walking and enjoying nature, getting away from the traffic of town without having to go far.

150:

Apr 11, 2009, Linda Yuele, Massachusetts

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149:

Apr 11, 2009, Bethany Solomons, New Hampshire

The rail trail has already made a positive impacts in other towns.

4-5 times a week

148:

Apr 10, 2009, Shirley Toomey, Massachusetts

If safe, this type of area could potentially provide us with an opportunity to get to know our neighbors.

147:

Apr 10, 2009, Carla Friedrich, Massachusetts

146:

Apr 9, 2009, Dan Gagnon, Massachusetts

145:

Apr 9, 2009, William Bernard, Massachusetts

It would be nice to have a safe place for kids to ride.

2-4 times per year

144:

Apr 9, 2009, Jo Sammons, Massachusetts

143:

Apr 9, 2009, Michelle DeNaro, Massachusetts

142:

Apr 9, 2009, Andrea Tondo, Massachusetts

Joggers and bicyclists, be they kids or adults, need a safe place to go. I fully support this effort.

1-2 times a year.

141:

Apr 9, 2009, Eric Levesque, Massachusetts

This trail can be used as alternative transportation for many area residents.

140:

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Apr 9, 2009, Julie Provencal, Massachusetts

My husband and I are for this trail as it will greatly benefit all the residents of Methuen as well as attract other residents to our wonderful city.

We would use the trail weekly.

139:

Apr 8, 2009, Kimberly Barry, Massachusetts

138:

Apr 8, 2009, Eileen Gill, Massachusetts

137:

Apr 8, 2009, Krista McLeod, Massachusetts

My family uses the other rail trails in the area for cycling, it would be GREAT to have one in Methuen! We need safe places for cyclists, especially young kids, to enjoy the outdoors.

136:

Apr 8, 2009, John Hudzik, Massachusetts

135:

Apr 8, 2009, Lisa Prezzano, Massachusetts

This would be great for our city.

weekly

134:

Apr 8, 2009, Lori Mazzone, Massachusetts

133:

Apr 8, 2009, Lawrence Lemieux, Massachusetts

daily

132:

Apr 8, 2009, Anonymous, Massachusetts

I live two towns away in Groveland. We have several similar trails in our area and I think would be nice if neighboring towns had the same.

131:

Apr 8, 2009, Maureen Landry, Massachusetts

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130:

Apr 8, 2009, Anonymous, Massachusetts

We would use the trail on weekends.

129:

Apr 8, 2009, Alfred Augeri, Massachusetts

I would use the trail at least every week.

128:

Apr 8, 2009, David Raymond, Massachusetts

I currently take my family to Griffin Park in Windham, NH to play and get exercise because it is a good safe place for these activities. I would much rather do this in Methuen, but right now there is no good place to do this.

I would use the rail trail 1-2 times per week with my family

127:

Apr 8, 2009, Anonymous, Massachusetts

I drive up to Nashua to use the one up there that is eleven miles long. I know there is also a 3 mile one in Windham that I have not tried yet. I love it and would definitely like to have one closer to home.

126:

Apr 8, 2009, Steve Klein, Canada

125:

Apr 7, 2009, Michele Berry, Massachusetts

124:

Apr 7, 2009, Anonymous, Massachusetts

this would be a wonderful addition to our community!!! it will promote good health, an appreciation of the outdoors, and a place for families to spend quality time together. It will help solidify our community.

Once a month in the spring, summer, and fall

123:

Apr 7, 2009, Kelly Shaffer, Massachusetts

I would ride the trail 2-3 times per week with my children!

122:

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Apr 7, 2009, Jennifer Flagg, Massachusetts

We need an outdoor space that we don't have to compete with the traffic. A place we can feel safe and encourage our children to live a healthy lifestyle.

121:

Apr 7, 2009, Jody Smith, Massachusetts

I would hope to use the trail weekly with my children.

120:

Apr 7, 2009, Dave Shaheen, Massachusetts

I'd use the trail several times per week, during appropriate weather.

119:

Apr 7, 2009, Barbara Shedd, Massachusetts

ok

I want my family and neighbors to enjoy these activities and safety.

118:

Apr 7, 2009, Kelly Haynes, Massachusetts

117:

Apr 7, 2009, Doug Campbell, Massachusetts

116:

Apr 7, 2009, Stacey Armstrong-Brown, Massachusetts

I would use it several times a week as I live nearby and have small children and I am always looking for somewhere safe that they can ride there bike and go for walks

115:

Apr 7, 2009, Kim Fiorante, Massachusetts

114:

Apr 7, 2009, Minda Shaheen, Massachusetts

Alternative forms of both transportation and recreation are increasingly necessary for healthy people, spaces, and communities. Rail trails bring people together, support community cohesion, allow for healthier lifestyles closer to home, and provide both physical and metaphysical links to nature. Please support the Methuen Rail Trail, and reinvest in OUR community.

At least once a week, more when the weather cooperates!

113:

Apr 7, 2009, Paula Norton, Massachusetts

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112:

Apr 7, 2009, Anonymous, Massachusetts

I would use the park at least two times a week.

111:

Apr 7, 2009, Joyce L Richards, Massachusetts

If this trail were available, I would use it daily. Come on Methuen, get behind this wonderful effort.

110:

Apr 7, 2009, LISA KEANEY, Massachusetts

Keeping my family safe while enjoying exercise is something I am in full support of.

109:

Apr 7, 2009, Rosanne Apel, Massachusetts

108:

Apr 7, 2009, Anonymous, Massachusetts

Our family is always in search for a good outdoors trail for fresh air and exercise. It would be great if we had that right here in Methuen.

Twice or 3 times a week

107:

Apr 7, 2009, WILLIAM CORCORAN, Massachusetts

106:

Apr 7, 2009, Aimee Phleger, Massachusetts

105:

Apr 7, 2009, Elizabeth Christopher, Massachusetts

104:

Apr 7, 2009, David Trachtenberg, Massachusetts

103:

Apr 7, 2009, Jaslyn Saab, New Hampshire

This would be great especially if it really were to someday connect through to the one I use in Windham NH. The Windham Rail Trail was definitely worth the effort it took to make. Hopefully Methuen will make it happen for the better of their recreational community.

a couple times a month

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102:

Apr 6, 2009, Kathy Gagnon, Massachusetts

100:

Apr 6, 2009, Teresa c. Consoli, Massachusetts

99:

Apr 6, 2009, Anonymous, Massachusetts

98:

Apr 6, 2009, Christine Gregoire, Massachusetts

GREAT idea... I support this project

I would use the trail very often.

97:

Apr 6, 2009, Eleanor & Betty Jean Long / Landry, Massachusetts

Nice to see people taken and interest in our Town ...

Depends on how well the trail is kept

96:

Apr 6, 2009, Deborah Cicchetto, Massachusetts

often

95:

Apr 6, 2009, Sheila Chase, Massachusetts

once a week in nice weather

94:

Apr 6, 2009, Judith Sarafian, Massachusetts

often

93:

Apr 6, 2009, Anonymous, Massachusetts

almost weekly. this would be great!!

92:

Apr 6, 2009, Anonymous, Massachusetts

often for running and training walks for the breast cancer 60 mile walk I participate in. This would be a valuable asset to our community

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91:

Apr 6, 2009, James Byron, Massachusetts

90:

Apr 6, 2009, Sharon Letendre, Massachusetts

When I first learned of the Rail Trail project, I thought how wonderful it is that some Methuen residents observed this opportunity waiting to happen and brought attention to it. As Methuen continues to grow and expand, we need more places for people of all ages to interact within natural settings offered by nature once used and presently discarded by man. What better way to GO GREEN and enrich the lives of the people living in the community.

I believe I would visit this trail on a weekly basis.

89:

Apr 6, 2009, Barbi DesRoches, Massachusetts

88:

Apr 6, 2009, Kathleen Alaimo, Massachusetts

My children would love a safe place to ride their bikes. What a wonderful use of this property!

87:

Apr 6, 2009, Amy Pham, Massachusetts

I think this is a wonderful idea. Thank you to everyone working to make this happen in our community. I've been encouraged to visit the "rail trail" in other area communities. It would be nice to be able to stay closer to home.

My family would visit frequently.

86:

Apr 6, 2009, Ardith LaRochelle, Massachusetts

85:

Apr 6, 2009, Susan LaPorta, Massachusetts

84:

Apr 6, 2009, Tracy Gardner, Massachusetts

83:

Apr 6, 2009, Anonymous, Massachusetts

82:

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Apr 6, 2009, Bob Barcelos, Massachusetts

It would be a great place to take the kids.

I would use the trail often.

81:

Apr 6, 2009, Giuseppina Caux, Massachusetts

80:

Apr 6, 2009, Mary Joaquin, Massachusetts

79:

Apr 6, 2009, Louise Martin, Massachusetts

78:

Apr 6, 2009, Wendy Schofield, Massachusetts

I would love to see this come to Methuen. It's a wonderful idea!!!

77:

Apr 6, 2009, Colleen LeShane, Massachusetts

What a great and safe idea!

76:

Apr 6, 2009, Joanne Harkins, Massachusetts

This would be a great and safe way to encourage my children to ride their bikes along the path.

75:

Apr 6, 2009, Anonymous, Massachusetts

74:

Apr 6, 2009, Carol Hatem, Massachusetts

I would use the MEthuen Rail Trail on Weekends for running and biking.

73:

Apr 6, 2009, Marianne Lucey, Massachusetts

I would love a safe place to run, walk, and bike in Methuen.

My family and I would use it frequently.

72:

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Apr 6, 2009, Robert Sica, Massachusetts

I think this development would be great both for the residents of Methuen and the local economy in general.

once per week, as weather allows.

71:

Apr 6, 2009, Michelle A. Houle, Massachusetts

70:

Apr 6, 2009, Rosemary Shaheen, Massachusetts

69:

Apr 6, 2009, Michael Ricetti, Massachusetts

Great idea!

I am sure our family would use the trail a lot, esp. when the weather is nice..

68:

Apr 6, 2009, Eileen Karavias, Massachusetts

I think this is a wonderful idea for the City of Methuen!

I would definitely use the trail quite often, for both myself and with my children.

67:

Apr 6, 2009, Lisa Ricetti, Massachusetts

66:

Apr 6, 2009, Cindy Letourneau, Massachusetts

65:

Apr 6, 2009, Valerie Cicolini, Massachusetts

My kids and i love to ride bikes....i think this will be a safe and great place to do this. Also, i love to walk....great form of exercising. For safety reasons also, we lack sidewalks in certain areas of town.

three to four times a week

64:

Apr 6, 2009, Bernadette J. Haidaczuk, Massachusetts

63:

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Apr 6, 2009, Karen Ferullo, Massachusetts

this is a wonderful idea for everyone kids adults and seniors

62:

Apr 6, 2009, Anonymous, Massachusetts

at least 1x week

61:

Apr 6, 2009, Janice Fugge, Massachusetts

We need a quiet, safe area for walking, biking and maybe viewing wildlife, and possibly bringing in more visitors to the city that will benefit the local businesses.

My family could possibly use the trail many times a week as we live nearby.

60:

Apr 6, 2009, ELIZABETH DOUCETTE, Massachusetts

Dracut also has very few sidewalks or places to take a quiet walk. As a resident of a neighboring town, I think this sounds like a great idea!

59:

Apr 6, 2009, Kerri-Jo Henry, Massachusetts

I am signing to support Methuen's Rail Trail. Community members have been working hard to get the trail in the works. Joyce Godsey is heading this and has sent several e-mails to me and many other interested people. I feel like people are putting their time and efforts in and I think it will pay off a great deal. You can help by signing this petition!

I would try to use the trail once a week, if time permits.

58:

Apr 6, 2009, Mary Hart, Massachusetts

57:

Apr 6, 2009, Ann Marie Collins, Massachusetts

With 4 very active and adventurous children this would be great.

56:

Apr 6, 2009, Steve Lucey, Massachusetts

Looking forward to biking and running on the trail

55:

Apr 6, 2009, Fikriye Erdemir, Massachusetts

I do use it frequently.

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54:

Apr 6, 2009, Susan Bowser, Massachusetts

53:

Apr 6, 2009, Julie Fortuna, Massachusetts

This trail would be a great addition to our town!!! Many families would be able to enjoy biking, walking and running in a safe environment.

We would use this trail spring, summer and fall.

52:

Apr 6, 2009, Stefan Raabe, Massachusetts

It would be terrific having the chance to safely workout by bike in nature and not along roads.

51:

Apr 6, 2009, Frank Small, Massachusetts

50:

Apr 6, 2009, Ted Fortuna, Massachusetts

My family and I would use the trail often since the kids love to go for bike rides. We have taken the kids on bike rides on the Methuen streets but this is very dangerous for young kids with the volume of traffic. This would be a great place for the family to enjoy bike rides in a safe environment. We have used the bike trail in Windham and to have one in our own backyard would be a great addition to the town.

49:

Apr 6, 2009, Karen Small, Massachusetts

I would be there all the time! My kids love to bike and walk and this would keep them busy in the summer and fall!!!

48:

Apr 6, 2009, Cherie Aldrich-Lemieux, Massachusetts

I would use the trail daily for walking.

47:

Apr 6, 2009, Gordon Barker, Massachusetts

We moved here from the Chicago area where there are countless, well used trails. I am surprised that there are so few in the Merrimack Valley that do not go onto roads which is dangerous for younger kids. This area really needs a trail like this. The trail could also be used for cross country skiing in the winter.

We would use it at weekends and sometimes during the week.

46:

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Apr 6, 2009, Kevin Redman, Massachusetts
weekly, at least!

45:

Apr 6, 2009, Robin Shaheen, Massachusetts

The longer the trail, the better for rollerblading!

If rollerblading were allowed on the trail, I would use the trail 3-5 times per week. We had a 12-mile one in CT. and I used it almost everyday.

44:

Apr 6, 2009, Lisa Caron, Massachusetts

43:

Apr 5, 2009, Richard Stanislas, Massachusetts

We need an area where the family can bike ride safely.

We would use it weekly for bike riding.

42:

Apr 5, 2009, Francesca Rogato, Massachusetts

41:

Apr 5, 2009, Jeffrey McManus, Massachusetts

Methuen is constantly improving, while maintaining respect for its rich heritage. I believe creating the rail trail will be an immense benefit to our community by increasing public health, restoring the environment, and providing a common area full of positive people living and breathing the history of this great town.

We plan to use the trail weekly.

40:

Apr 5, 2009, Brian McCoy, Massachusetts

39:

Apr 5, 2009, Marley Downing Beohner, Massachusetts

My family and I often travel outside of methuen for safe places to ride our bikes. We would love to see a Rail Trail in Methuen. I think a rail trail would quickly increase realestate sales as well. Young families like ours might be more interested in moving to Methuen with a safe bike trail.

2-3x/month at the minimum.

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38:

Apr 5, 2009, Shannon McCoy, Massachusetts

37:

Apr 5, 2009, Heather Ankiewicz, Massachusetts

36:

Apr 5, 2009, Garrett Ferris, Massachusetts

35:

Apr 5, 2009, Melissa Wall, Massachusetts

34:

Apr 5, 2009, Renee Sadlow, Massachusetts

We would use them all summer long and on weekends!!!

33:

Apr 5, 2009, Timothy Vermette, Massachusetts

two to four times a week

32:

Apr 5, 2009, Jill Ferris, Massachusetts

31:

Apr 5, 2009, Diane Dunn, Massachusetts

30:

Apr 5, 2009, Peter Goodwin, Massachusetts

29:

Apr 5, 2009, Catherine Congo, Massachusetts

My family continues to live in Methuen and I believe this would be a great option for families in the community.

several times per year

28:

Apr 5, 2009, Peter Perkins, Massachusetts

27:

Apr 5, 2009, Dina Perkins, Massachusetts

26:

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Apr 5, 2009, Tracey Woronka, Massachusetts

25:

Apr 5, 2009, Sara Thornhill, Massachusetts

several times a month

24:

Apr 5, 2009, Patricia Ramsden, Massachusetts

23:

Apr 5, 2009, Shirley MacKenzie, Massachusetts

I would likely use the trail 3-4 times per week. My family uses recreation paths whenever possible on our vacations. Often we plan our destinations for day trips or long weekend stays with the proximity of a recreation path in mind.

22:

Apr 5, 2009, William MacKenzie, Massachusetts

I would use the trail several times a month.

21:

Apr 4, 2009, Elizabeth Savard, Massachusetts

It would be a great place for families to come together and enjoy the wonderful areas that Methuen has to offer..

I would use this trail 3 or 4 times a wk.. I try to walk often but some of the street are dangerous as the cars drive way to fast and some streets don't even have sidewalks

20:

Apr 4, 2009, Michelle Goodwin, Massachusetts

I would use this trail at least 4-5 times per week. It would be a welcome opportunity instead of driving to Wakefield to walk around the lake or to Bedford to walk their rail trail to Cambridge

19:

Apr 4, 2009, Heather Larkin, Massachusetts

I would use it on the weekends with my children. In a country where obesity is on the rise, a project such as this is so necessary. Our children need places to run, ride, and be children!

18:

Apr 4, 2009, Susan Prior, Massachusetts

The trail would provide a safe and affordable way for folks to get some exercise and enjoy nature, adding to Methuen's recreational outlets.

I would use it as often as weather permits.

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17:

Apr 4, 2009, William Torla, Massachusetts

16:

Apr 4, 2009, Karen MacKenzie, Massachusetts

This would be fantastic for safe bike rides in summer ... so many of the larger roads in Methuen are too narrow to bike safely. A great way to get Methuen residents outside and interacting with one another! I also know that I personally travel to other cities and towns with such rail trails to bike and this could bring some more business to local establishments near the trail.

15:

Apr 4, 2009, Christopher Coleman-Plourde, Massachusetts

A rail trail in Methuen would be a great asset for the community.

14:

Apr 4, 2009, John Hintze, Massachusetts

This is an opportunity for economic stimulus for the local economy and an alternative transportation source for residents of Methuen.

I would use the Methuen rail trail 2-4 times a week 8-9 months a year.

13:

Apr 4, 2009, Tim Osgood, Massachusetts

12:

Apr 4, 2009, Kelly Tondo, Massachusetts

The time is now! Creating a rail trail would be one huge step in making Methuen a more pedestrian and bicycle-friendly city. A trail would be a draw for prospective home-buyers. Let's do this!

2/week

11:

Apr 4, 2009, Christopher Barbosa, Massachusetts

I would use this trail at least once a week from April till October. It would be fantastic to have a local option available. This would also draw in people in the surrounding cities and towns to Methuen. This would be beneficial to the local businesses.

10:

Apr 4, 2009, Rita Brown, Massachusetts

It's about time Methuen had a place to safely walk with their children and pets and enjoy nature.

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Very often

9:

Apr 4, 2009, Kevin Rourke, Massachusetts

A great way for people to get out in town and another reason to go through Methuen Center / Downtown.

Weekly

7:

Apr 4, 2009, Jennifer W. Chan, Massachusetts

Having a nature trail in Methuen would be a wonderful addition to our town and community. I plan on using this path often.

6:

Apr 4, 2009, Harold Banks, Massachusetts

I would use the trail as often as the weather would allow. It is a chance for citizens of the town to have a safe place to go and interact with other people.

5:

Apr 4, 2009, Rachael Banks, Massachusetts

I want a place in Methuen where I can ride my bike, run, walk and take my family without fear of traffic. There are not enough maintained sidewalks in the city that are safe for all of these uses and the city does not have bike lanes for avid cyclists.

I plan on using this path weekly.

4:

Apr 4, 2009, Maria Lopez, Massachusetts

Weekly

3:

Apr 3, 2009, Kathi Ingram, Massachusetts

I would like to use the trail on a regular basis, to walk with my two children, in a natural environment. This would be especially beneficial to us as our neighborhood does not have sidewalks. Thank you.

2:

Apr 3, 2009, Kasia Sokalla, Massachusetts

There are few sidewalks in Methuen to safely walk/bike/jog with children. The proposed trail would be a place to go to exercise and just safely enjoy the nature.

Once a week

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1:

Apr 3, 2009, Joyce Godsey, Massachusetts
everyday