The Economic, Health, and Environmental Benefits of Completing The Capital Trails Network

Washington, DC

Economic Impact by the Numbers

**Increased Access**

- **466,030 Residents** working age adults within 2 mi. of a trail
- **180,430+ Regular Trail Users**
- **$100M** annual public health costs avoided

**Economic Impacts**

- **$146M** from annual trail spending supporting 1,050 jobs
- **$410M** from construction over 25 years
- **$1.6B** in property value benefits over 25 years
- **$13M** total annual property tax impact

**Environmental Benefits**

- **$8.6M** environmental costs avoided annually
- **$23.1M** in lifetime carbon storage value
- **7.5M Miles** in reduced vehicle miles traveled each year

**$162 Million total economic impacts per year**

**$463 Million total savings per year**

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**Capital Trails Coalition**

is a collaboration of public and private organizations, agencies, and volunteers working to advance completion of an interconnected network of multi-use trails for the Washington metropolitan area. Started in 2015, the Coalition has worked with each jurisdiction to identify planned trails that, once complete, will connect our region. The trails will be accessible to people of all ages and abilities, and will be developed and distributed equitably.