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Ohio River Trail Council

Joining communities through fitness, recreation, heritage and transportation networks.

ORTC Mission & Vision Statement

Mission Statement

The Ohio River Trail Council (ORTC) works to bring individuals, groups, councils, communities, businesses, recreational users and all levels of government together to promote and protect a continuous corridor of natural and cultural resources along the Ohio River and its tributaries. The ORTC's goal is to honor our past and build our future by providing recreation opportunities, heritage development, environmental stewardship, safe transportation networks and economic stimulus.

Vision Statement

Along with community enhancements that extend into the realm of public health, wellness, transportation, conservation, preservation, environment, ecology, economy, culture and heritage our ultimate goal is the expansion of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's second largest industry - tourism. "Penn's Woods" is teaming with wild resources and beautiful vistas. The Ohio River Trail is expected to bring economic boons to Western Pennsylvania through the growth of the construction and maintenance industries. Trails are like a "magnificent gem on display" attracting visitors, who facilitate job growth in ecotourism-related opportunities like river rafting tours, canoeing, bicycle sales and rentals. As a tool for ecology and the environment, the Ohio River Trail will preserve natural landscape and safeguard wildlife diversity and provide vital habitat corridors thereby providing opportunities for birding, butterflying, deer spotting, fishing or enjoying the spring wildflowers or the peak autumn colors.

Respectfully submitted,

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