

Kalamazoo County Parks

Bringing People and Nature Together



RIVER OAKS COUNTY PARK 9202 E. MICHIGAN AVE. (M-96), GALESBURG 49053

The park is named for the 100+ year old oak trees that stretch along the shore of Morrow Lake. River Oaks County Park features one of Southwest Michigan's premier soccer facilities with 20 fields that regularly host youth leagues, adult leagues, and regional tournaments.

- Features:**
- 330 Acres
 - Splash Pad
 - Dog Park
 - 20 Soccer Fields
 - Morrow Lake (Kalamazoo River)
 - Boat Ramp
 - Group Picnics & Outings
 - Picnic Shelters
 - Playgrounds
 - Fishing
 - Hiking Trails
 - Volleyball & Softball
 - Softball Fields



Access to KRVT from Park

MARKIN GLEN COUNTY PARK 5300 N. WESTNEDGE AVE., KALAMAZOO 49004

Markin Glen County Park was once the estate of Morris Markin, Founder of Checker Motors Corporation of Kalamazoo. The park was developed through the efforts of the Park Foundation of Kalamazoo County and its generous donors.

- Features:**
- 160 Acres
 - 38 Modern Campsites
 - Fishing & Swimming Lakes
 - Swimming Beach
 - Paved Multi-Use Trail
 - Group Picnics & Outings
 - Mountain Biking on the Maple Hill Trail
 - Picnic Shelters
 - Playgrounds
 - Tennis Courts
 - Fishing
 - Hiking Trails
 - Volleyball & Softball



Access to KRVT from Park

SCOTTS MILL COUNTY PARK 8451 S. 35TH STREET, SCOTTS 49088

Scotts Mill County Park was acquired by the County in 1973 and was opened to the public in 1976 as Kalamazoo County's official Bi-Centennial Project. Scotts Mill County Park offers visitors the opportunity to step back in time and experience a unique piece of agricultural and natural history.

- Features:**
- 110 Acres
 - Historic 1870's Water Wheel
 - Powered Mill
 - Weddings
 - Group Picnics & Outings
 - Picnic Shelter
 - Playground
 - Fishing
 - Hiking Trails



COLD BROOK COUNTY PARK 14467 EAST MN AVE., CLIMAX 49034

A popular campground and beach, Cold Brook has 276 acres consisting primarily of water in the form of three lakes and unique wetlands. Fishing and disc golf are some of the most popular activities at the park.

- Features:**
- 276 Acres
 - 43 Campsites
 - Blue, Long, & Portage Lakes
 - Swimming Beach
 - Boat Ramp
 - Group Picnics & Outings
 - Picnic Shelters
 - Playgrounds
 - Disc Golf
 - Fishing
 - Hiking Trails
 - Volleyball



PRAIRIE VIEW COUNTY PARK 899 EAST U AVE., VICKSBURG 49097

Located on the shores of Gourdneck and Hogsett Lakes the park offers a premier swimming beach and a pristine natural setting. Prairie View has 5 picnic shelters that are a perfect setting for any gathering.

- Features:**
- 210 Acres
 - Hogsett & Gourdneck Lakes
 - Swimming Beach
 - Paved Multi-use Trail
 - Boat Ramp
 - Dog Park
 - Group Picnics & Outings
 - Beach House Rentals
 - Picnic Shelters
 - Playgrounds
 - Soccer Field
 - Fishing



KALAMAZOO COUNTY EXPO CENTER

2900 LAKE STREET, KALAMAZOO 49048 (269) 383-8778

The Kalamazoo County Expo Center is home to over 100 national, regional and local events drawing over 250,000 visitors each year. The flexible and spacious facilities with professional staff make these events a great experience. From four wheels to four legs, the Expo Center hosts a wide variety of events to entertain your whole family!

- Features:**
- 90,000 Square Foot Expo Center with 61,000 Square Feet of Exhibit Space
 - 120 Acre site with Outdoor Festival Space
 - Over 100 National, Regional & Local Events
 - Free Paved Parking for 1,200 Vehicles Plus Special Event Parking for 3,000 Additional Vehicles
 - Hotels & Restaurants Nearby
 - Minutes from Downtown Kalamazoo
 - Easy Access from I-94 & US-131
 - Heated/Air Conditioned Rooms
 - Concessions Available
 - 220 Campsites
 - ATM On-Site
 - Wi-Fi



For current event schedule, visit www.kalamazooexpo.com

PARK FEES

Daily Entrance Per Car: \$5
Annual Pass: \$25
Sr. Pass (62+): \$20

Other fee information available online at: www.kalamazoo-countyparks.com or by calling our office at (269) 383-8778.



Where Can I Go To...	Cold Brook	Markin Glen	Prairie View	River Oaks	Scotts Mill	KRV Trail
Beach	•	•	•	•	•	•
Boat Launch	•	•	•	•	•	•
Camping	•	•	•	•	•	•
Disc Golf	•	•	•	•	•	•
Dog Park	•	•	•	•	•	•
Fishing	•	•	•	•	•	•
Hiking/Nature Trails	•	•	•	•	•	•
Ice Fishing	•	•	•	•	•	•
Mountain Biking	•	•	•	•	•	•
Paved Walking Path	•	•	•	•	•	•
Picnic Shelters	•	•	•	•	•	•
Playground	•	•	•	•	•	•
Rowboat Rental	•	•	•	•	•	•
Splash Pad	•	•	•	•	•	•

KRV Trail

Connections

The Kalamazoo River Valley Trail will encompass 35 miles of trail throughout Kalamazoo County. Kalamazoo will be a regional hub, connecting Battle Creek to Lake Michigan, D Avenue to Portage, and eventually Lake Michigan to Lake Huron. This existing trail and planned trails in other counties will connect more than 140 miles of trails—connecting together the Battle Creek Linear Park, the Kal-Haven Trail, and the Portage Bicentennial Park Trail.

Currently, there are 22 miles complete of this non-motorized, paved-asphalt trail. One stretch begins at 10th Street, heading east from the Kal-Haven Caboose and stretching 4.8 miles to Westnedge Ave. You can also enjoy a section that connects 35th St. in Galesburg to D Avenue, traveling through River Oaks County Park, Mayors' Riverfront Park, Verburg Park, along Riverview Dr., and heading north along Markin Glen County Park and the Kalamazoo Nature Center. These two segments are connected by a signed-route throughout downtown Kalamazoo, featuring the Arcadia Creek Festival Place as well as many places to eat and shop. As funds and property become available the trail will continue to grow, realizing a vision that has been in the works since 1991.

Operated as a Kalamazoo County Park, the KRV Trail is free to use and offers something for everyone. Whether you're looking for a relaxing family stroll, a journey into nature, an extensive workout or a bike route to work—the KRV Trail awaits your visit.

For more information please call 269-383-8778, or visit www.krvtrail.com.

The KRV Trail is ADA compliant, and motorized and non-motorized mobility devices are allowed for reasonable and equitable access by persons with a disability who require the use of such mobility devices.



Connecting You to...

Battle Creek Linear Park

The Linear Park is a paved trail that winds through the city of Battle Creek, totaling more than 25 miles. For more information contact the City of Battle Creek Parks and Recreation Department at (269) 966-3431, or visit www.bcparks.org.

Kal-Haven Trail

The Kal-Haven is a 33.5-mile path of crushed limestone/slag converted from a railroad bed that connects South Haven to Kalamazoo. It is usable for all non-motorized bicycles, hiking, and snowmobiling when there is a 4-inch snow base. For more information contact the Van Buren State Park at (269) 637-2788, or www.michiganandr.com/parksandtrails/

North Country Hiking Trail

The North Country Hiking Trail covers 4,600 miles and seven states. It begins in North Dakota and stretches to the state of New York. A portion of the trail travels through Kalamazoo and Calhoun counties, sharing the Linear Park in Battle Creek. For more information visit www.northcountrytrail.org.

Portage Bicentennial Park Trail

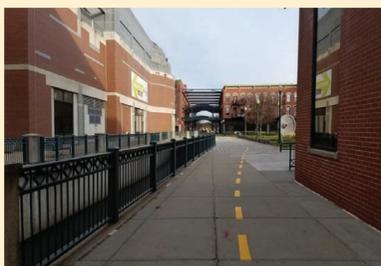
The Bicentennial Park Trail in Portage winds over 4 miles following Portage Creek at Kilgore Road, south to the Celery Flats Interpretive Center and Portage City Centre. It's a paved surface and provides access to the 57-mile Portage Bikeway system. For additional information, please call (269) 329-4522, or visit www.portagemi.gov and click on the Parks and Recreation Department.

Gull Road Path

The Gull Road Path stretches from Riverview Drive into Richland following Gull Road. The Path uses a combination of sidewalks and a paved asphalt surface, totaling about eight miles.

The Great Lake-to-Lake Trail Route 1

The Great Lake-to-Lake Trail Route 1 extends from South Haven to Port Huron and is comprised of 18 trails with 198 miles already in place. Route 1 will eventually total 315 miles across the State of Michigan. When complete, the KRVT will comprise 35 miles of the Great Lake-to-Lake Trail Route 1. For more information about Michigan's Lake-to-Lake trails, visit www.michigantrails.org/trails/great-lake-to-lake/



campaign connect
the campaign to complete the kvrt

Since 1998, the Kalamazoo River Valley Trail has been a well-loved and popular landmark in our community.

With 22 miles of completed, non-motorized trail, thousands of individuals enjoy the trail every year for:

- HEALTHY, PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES
- A SAFE COMMUTE TO WORK
- A PERFECT PLACE TO SPEND TIME IN NATURE
- SPENDING QUALITY TIME WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS
- ENJOYING FREE PROGRAMMING EVENTS

If you would like to support the campaign to complete the trail, please contact us at 269.342.1740 or visit our website at www.parksfoundationkalamazoo.com.

Your tax-deductible donations can also be sent to:
The Parks Foundation of Kalamazoo County
P.O. Box 50467
Kalamazoo, MI 49005

thank you for your support!



Wondering What's Going On, Where to Stay, or How to Get There?

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Discover! KALAMAZOO

Trail Programming

The Kalamazoo County Parks Department and the Parks Foundation of Kalamazoo County are committed to providing programs and special events to help increase awareness and usage of the Kalamazoo River Valley Trail. This effort was started by a W.K. Kellogg Foundation grant in 2008, and continues today with the help of generous donations.

If you would like information on upcoming events/programs, donating to programming or to request a program brochure, please contact the KRV Trail Programming office at (269) 383-8778, or visit www.krvtrail.com

Looking for a place to hold your community event or fund-raiser?

The Kalamazoo River Valley Trail hosts many community walks, runs and bike events each year. If your business or organization is interested in holding an event on the trail, please visit www.krvtrail.com for complete details, or contact the Kalamazoo County Parks Department at (269) 383-8778.

A Few Safety Reminders to Make Your Experience More Enjoyable

- The trail is open from 7 a.m. to sunset.
- Follow all County Park Trail Rules posted along the trail.
- Obey all trail and traffic signs.
- Always wear a bicycle helmet.
- Cyclists and skaters must yield to pedestrians.
- Keep right and pass on left. Give audible warning before passing.
- There is safety in numbers. Use the buddy-system and enjoy the trail with a companion.

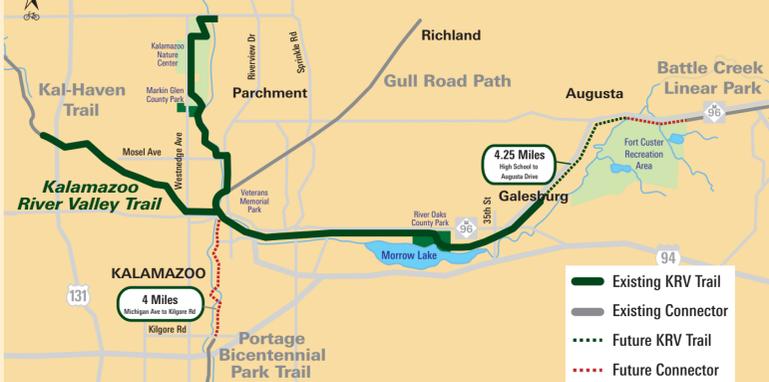
Kalamazoo River Valley Trail



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Kalamazoo River Valley Trail

Future Development



To join the Parks Foundation of Kalamazoo County in supporting the KRV Trail, please call (269) 342-1740 or visit www.ParksFoundationKalamazoo.com.

Trail Rules

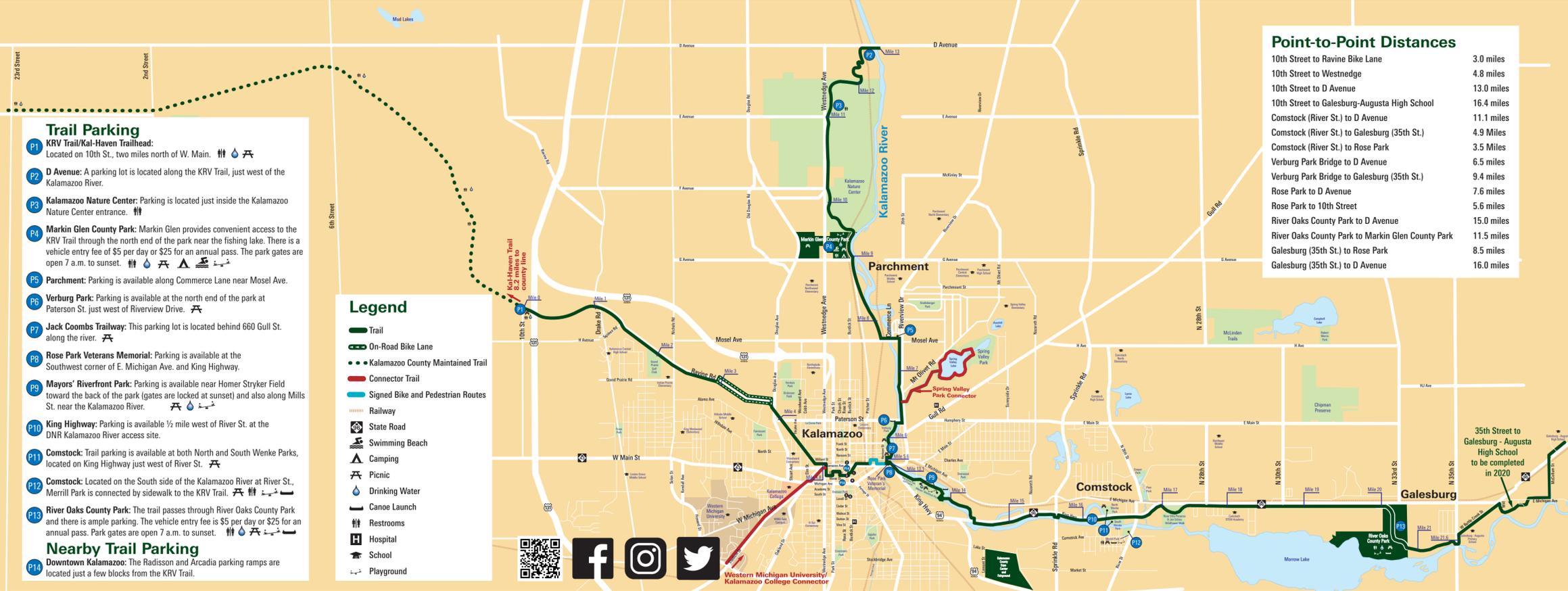
- The trail is open from 7 a.m. to sunset.
- The trail is designated for pedestrians or non-motorized transportation only. Horses are not permitted.
- No person shall operate an ATV, ORV, snowmobile, mini-bike, scooter, go-cart, golf cart or similar motorized device.
- Pets must be on a leash no more than six feet long and owners must clean up after their pets.
- Solicitation is not allowed.
- Camping is not permitted.
- Hunting and trapping are not permitted.

A complete list of rules is available at the Park Offices, or on our website.



www.kalamazoo-countyparks.com

KALAMAZOO RIVER VALLEY TRAIL MAP



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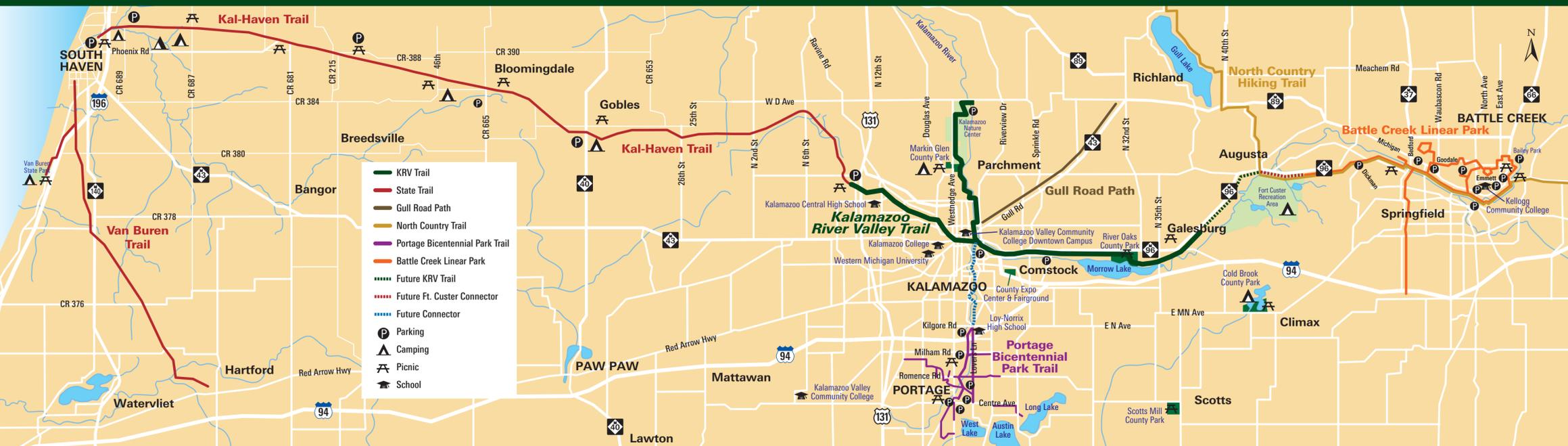
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