



## Clinton River Trail Collaboration



**CRT Alliance & Private Partnership  
to Enhance a Community Linear Park**

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# Clinton River Trail Alliance

## "Memorandum of Understanding"

- **Cities agree to cooperatively operate the CRT as one contiguous trail**
- **Agreement between the five owner communities, Friends of the Clinton River Trail & Oakland County Planning**



# Clinton River Trail

## About FCRT

Friends of the Clinton River Trail is committed to promoting the Clinton River Trail as a safe and enjoyable recreational destination.

- **An all volunteer group**
- **A non-profit corporation**



# Clinton River Trail

## **FCRT Goals**

### **One Trail/Five Cities**

- **Short Term – Safe Crossings**
- **Long Term – Replace Pontiac Connector w/North Spur**

### **A World-Class Destination Trail**

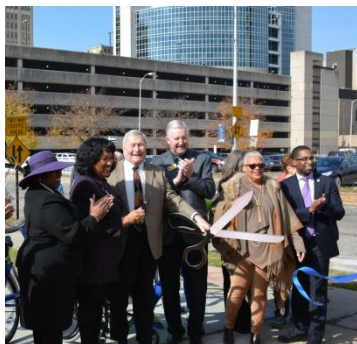
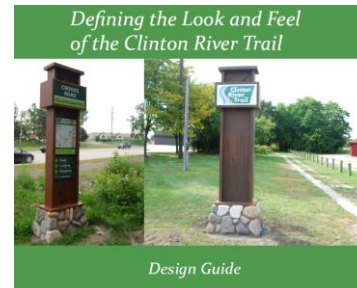
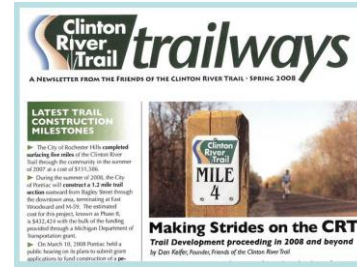
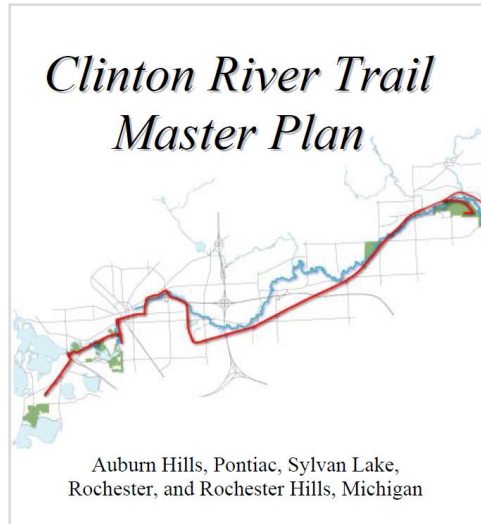


# FCRT Motivations

- **Quality of Life**
  - **Community Health**
    - **Economic Development**
      - **Legacy for Future Generations**



# FCRT Programs & Projects



# Alliance Activities

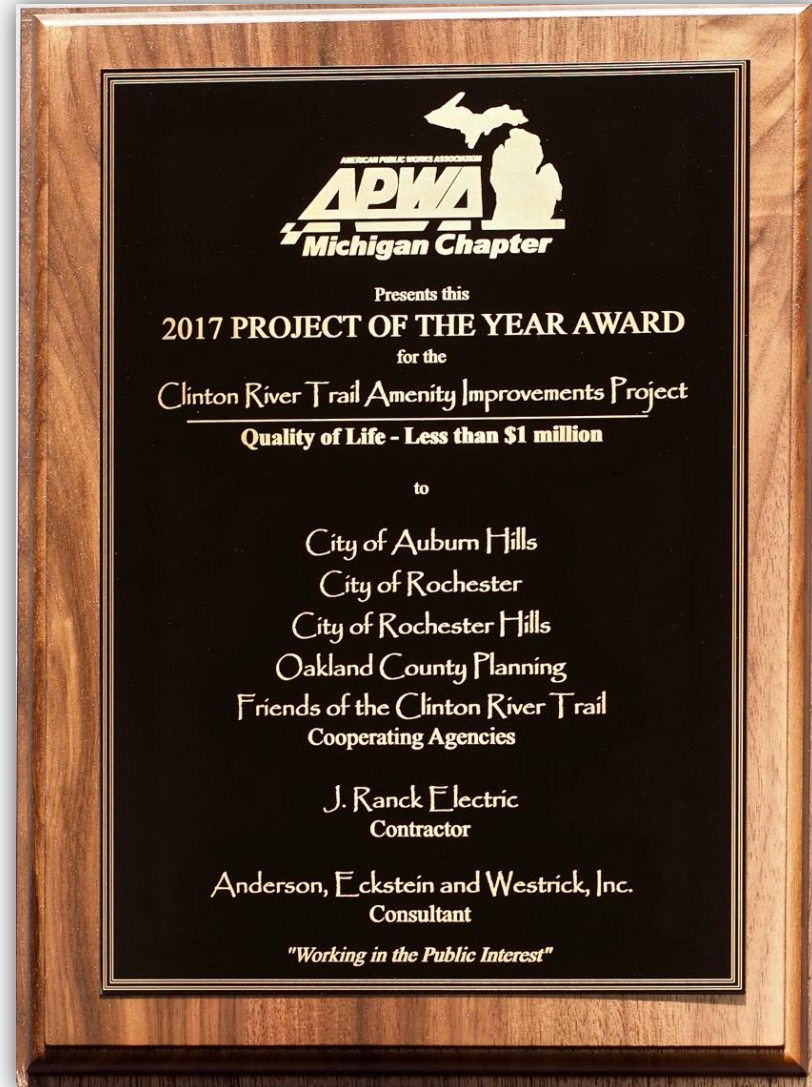
- **Transportation Alternatives Program Funding - \$290,000**
  - **Collaboration between - Rochester, Rochester Hills, Auburn Hills, FCRT & Oakland County**
  - **Rochester Hills Leadership: Oversee Matching Funds, Program Administration & Engineering**
- **2017 – Install New Mile & Half-Mile Markers**



# Clinton River Trail APWA Award

## "Project of the Year"

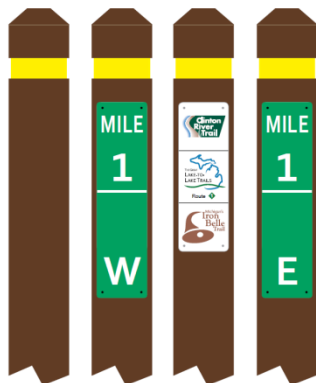
- Quality of Life Project less than \$1 Million by Michigan Chapter APWA
- Collaboration Between Cities, County & Private Organization was the key to winning
- Special Thank You to Allan Schneck & Ken Elwert





# What's Ahead for CRT

- **Promoting Cross-State Trail Connections**
  - **Iron Belle Trail – Biking Route**
  - **Great Lake to Lake Trail – Route #1**
- **West End Emphasis**
  - **Look & Feel Amenity Installations in Pontiac & Sylvan Lake**
  - **Pontiac CRT Surface Improvements & Connections**
  - **Sylvan Lake CRT Connection with West Bloomfield Trail**
- **Improve Road Crossings**



# Southeast Michigan Non-Motorized Trail Connections



**MAKING CONNECTIONS**

There is a plan evolving in Michigan to connect the growing number of local trails into a system of cross-state, non-motorized transportation routes. Oakland County has several trails that provide important links for the Iron Belle Trail-Biking Route and the Great Lake-to-Lake Trail.

**GREAT LAKE-TO-LAKE TRAIL**

Oakland County provides a critical link in the Great Lake-to-Lake Trail. When completed, this trail will run east-west from Port Huron to South Haven.

**IRON BELLE TRAIL**

The Iron Belle Trail is planned to have both a hiking route and a biking route stretching from Detroit to Ironwood that will allow trail users to experience many unique communities in both the Upper and Lower Peninsulas.



\*\*Dashed lines represent proposed trails. Check with each trail organization for exact pathway locations, designated uses, hours of operation, special events, rules and regulations. Trails vary in accessibility. Please contact individual trail or land managers for up to date information regarding accessibility and conditions.\*\*

# ADVOCATING CONSISTENCY & MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING



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