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Working to develop trails and roads for healthy living

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Healthy Adams Bicycle/Pedestrian, Inc. (HABPI-pronounced Happy) was incorporated in 2005 as Healthy Adams Bicycle/Pedestrian Action Coalition, Inc. We are a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation. We worked as a committee of The Physical Fitness Task Force of Healthy Adams County for approximately two years prior to incorporating. Our purpose is to promote health and public recreational opportunities and alternate transportation through safe bicycling and pedestrian activities, both on road and off. Activities include acquiring, developing and maintaining trails and routes. Go to <http://habpi.org/pages/about.php> to learn more. Our major accomplishments are listed below and most of them were the result of partnership efforts with other local organizations.

1. In 2007 we partnered with the York County Rail Trail Authority to pay for a Trail Feasibility Study for an on and off-road trail linking Gettysburg and Hanover. We obtained DCED funds to pay for part of the Feasibility Study. We coordinated our activities with the Adams County Office for Planning and Development (ACOPD).
2. In 2007 and 2011 we provided testimony to the State Transportation Commission regarding the need for better infrastructure for pedestrians and bicyclists in Adams County.
3. We created and maintain a website full of information about our activities with links to health and trail websites. Go to www.habpi.org
4. During 2008-2010 we were able to obtain free technical assistance from the National Park Service's Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program to complete a feasibility study for the Gettysburg Inner Loop (GIL) Bicycle Network and Trail. This was done in close cooperation with the Borough of Gettysburg and the Adams County Office of Planning and Development and numerous community organizations, whom we continue to work with.
5. We worked with over 40 community organizations to obtain letters of support and/or funds for the GIL. Copies of the letters can be found on our website at <http://habpi.org/pages/letters.php>
6. In 2011 we obtained a grant of \$5,000 from the PA Department of Health to pay for a survey of Race Horse Alley to clear the way for creation of a greenway.
7. In 2012 we paid for installation of a curb cut on West Middle Street which will be used by the GIL.
8. In 2012 we provided funding to help pay for widening part of the Biser Trail in the Rec Park.
9. In 2013 we purchased a bicycle rack which was used during the 150th battle anniversary and is now located at the new Middle School along Lefever Street.
10. From 2011-2013 we worked with PennDOT and the Pennsylvania Pedalcycle Advisory Committee to create State Bicycle Route JS connecting Hanover Junction, on the York Heritage Rail Trail, with Gettysburg. We lead the effort and overcame several obstacles before the route was established and signs were erected in June of 2013

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11. From 2011 to the present we have organized and lead group bicycle rides in and around Gettysburg.
12. From 2010 to present we have provided volunteers to assist the Hanover Cyclers with their major bicycle rides.
13. In 2013 we formed the "Friends of HABPI" group for people who support our activities and are willing to advocate for a better bicycling and walking environment.
14. In 2012-13 we raised \$25,000 from 12 donors and completed the GIL Greenway Master Plan.
15. In 2014 we received a grant from the Hoffman Trust to survey a section of Reynolds Street to resolve boundary issues for building the GIL.
16. In 2014 we helped the Borough of Gettysburg obtain \$1,766,434 to engineer and build two segments of the GIL.
17. At the urging of HABPI and the Borough of Gettysburg, the GASD built a multiuse trail along Lefever Street in conjunction with the new middle school project. This is part of the GIL.
18. In 2015 bicycle lanes were added to four blocks of Steinwehr Avenue and "sharrow" markings added to Queen Street due to our partnership with the borough and the Business Improvement District.
19. In 2014 we helped the Borough of Gettysburg acquire a \$47,000 Chesapeake Bay Foundation grant for environmental engineering of another GIL segment.
20. In 2014 HABPI hosted an economic summit with key community leaders at Gettysburg National Military Park to highlight economic benefits of biking and walking trails like the GIL.
21. In 2015 we organized a welcome for riders attempting to ride the approximate route of the 275 mile Grand History Trail.
22. In 2016 we assisted the Borough of Gettysburg with getting Phases A1 and A2 of the GIL designed, using funds mentioned in item 16.
23. In 2017 we assisted the Borough of Gettysburg with getting Phases A1 and A2 of the GIL designed and construction started.
24. In 2017 we applied, under the sponsorship of the Gettysburg Area Recreation Authority, for a DCNR grant to fund a trail study to find an off-road route between Gettysburg and Emmitsburg, MD to be used as part of the Grand History Trail. The grant was awarded in December.
25. In 2017 we applied for and received an Adams County Green Space Grant to help match funds for the DCNR Grant. We also received a grant from the Rotary of Gettysburg and donations from Destination Gettysburg, Adams Electric, Thrivent, and numerous individuals.