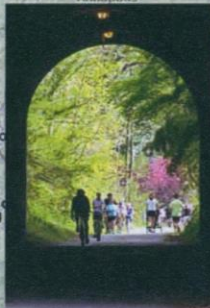
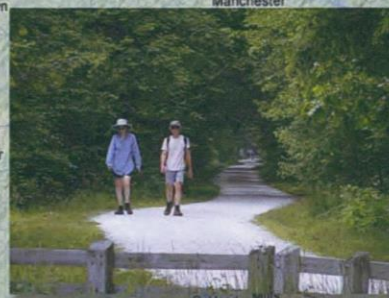
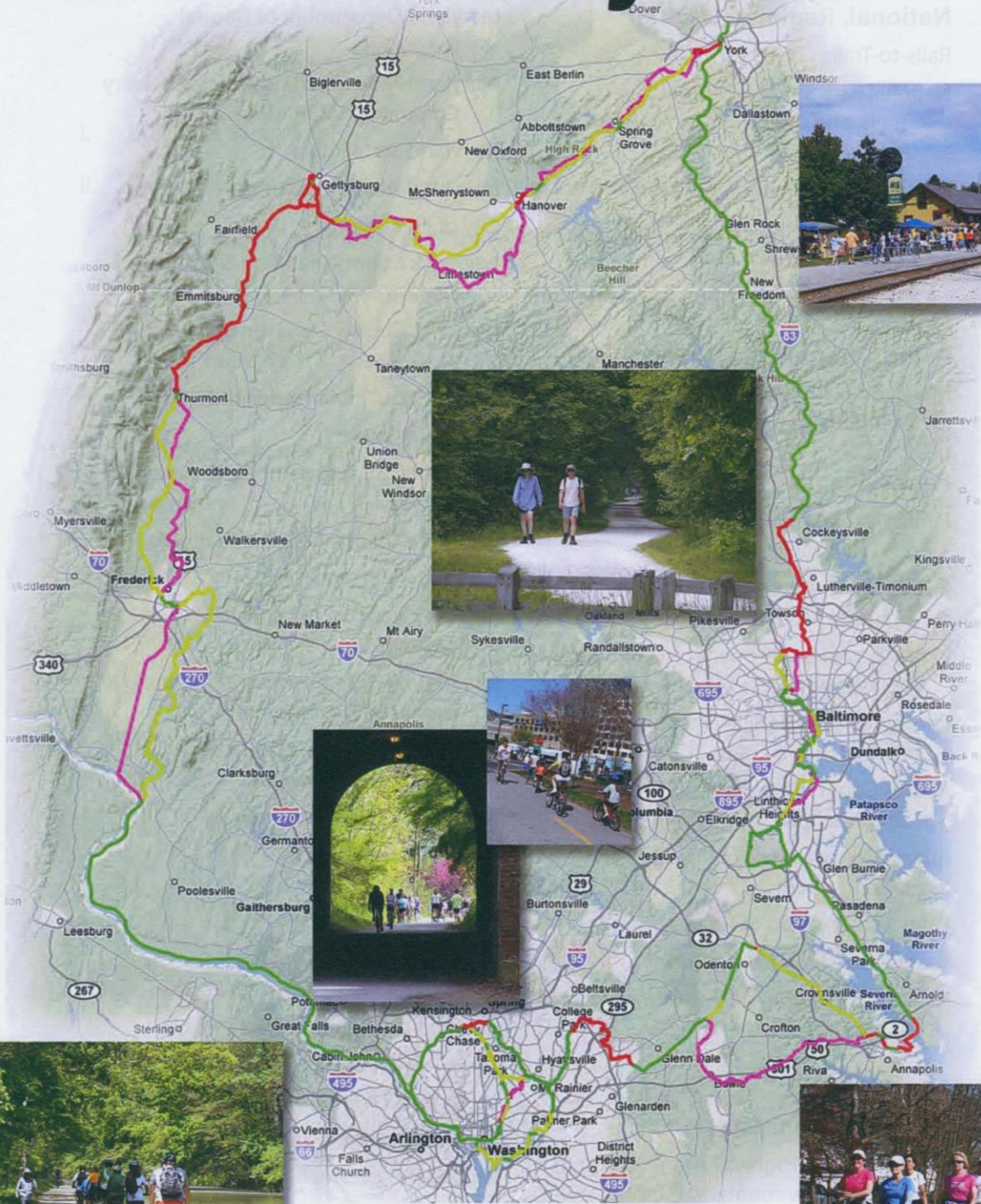




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A **Vision** for the Grand History Trail



What is the Grand History Trail (GHT)?

It is a proposed 250+ mile off-road trail connecting Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia and the District of Columbia. Stops on the trail include Washington D.C., Annapolis, Baltimore, Fells Point, York, Gettysburg, Frederick, Antietam Battlefield, and Harper's Ferry.

Existing trails comprise over half the Grand History Trail. Approximately two thirds of the trail exists or is planned. Adams County is a big missing link.

Why the Grand History Trail ?

- For health, wealth, joy and history
- Residents and tourists can enjoy health benefits of walking and bicycling on local trails that are part of the GHT
- Many travelers plan vacations where trails take them to interesting and historical places, like Gettysburg
- Bikers and walkers and joggers bring millions of dollars of revenue to trail towns with no damage to the environment

What is being done to build the GHT?

- Meetings have been held with state officials from Pennsylvania and Maryland and officials from Washington D.C. , under the auspices of the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy.
- Trail and bicycle advocacy groups have been involved in the meetings and are working with local and state officials to facilitate development of the GHT.
- County and local government officials are working to plan and develop trails which will be part of the GHT.
- A group of riders from York, PA rode the entire loop in September 2015 and met with government officials along the way.
- The Gettysburg Area Recreation Authority and Healthy Adams Bicycle/Pedestrian, Inc. (HABPI) obtained grants from the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and the Adams County Green Space Grant Program along with organization and private donations to conduct a trail feasibility study in 2018 to plan an off-road route for a multiuse trail from Gettysburg to Emmitsburg.
- Go to <http://www.grandhistorytrail.org/>