

# Rhode Island Avenue Trolley Trail

The story of Creating,  
Activating and Extending  
this trail to reconnect  
communities



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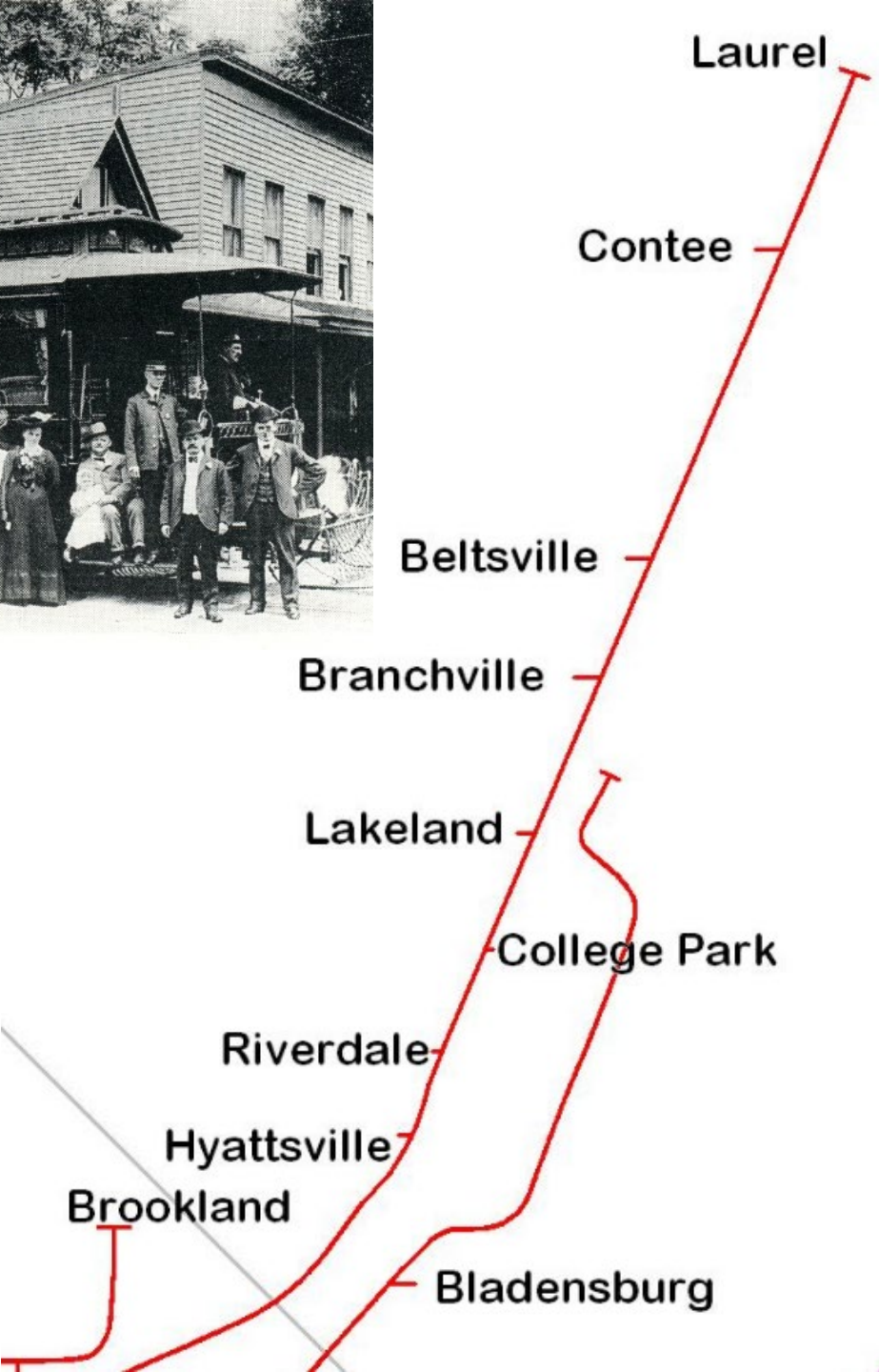
(Courtesy of National Capital Trolley Museum)



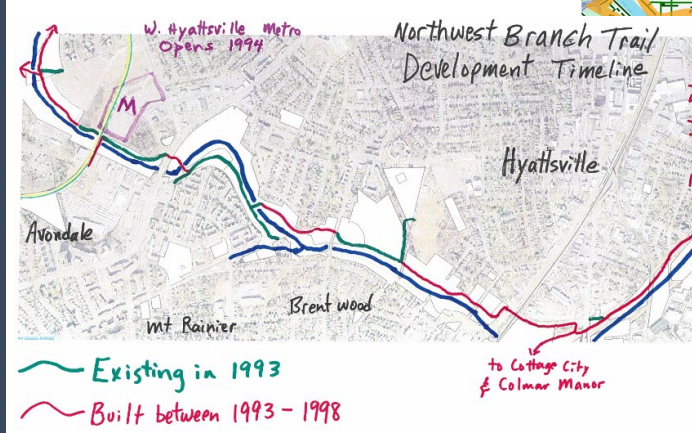
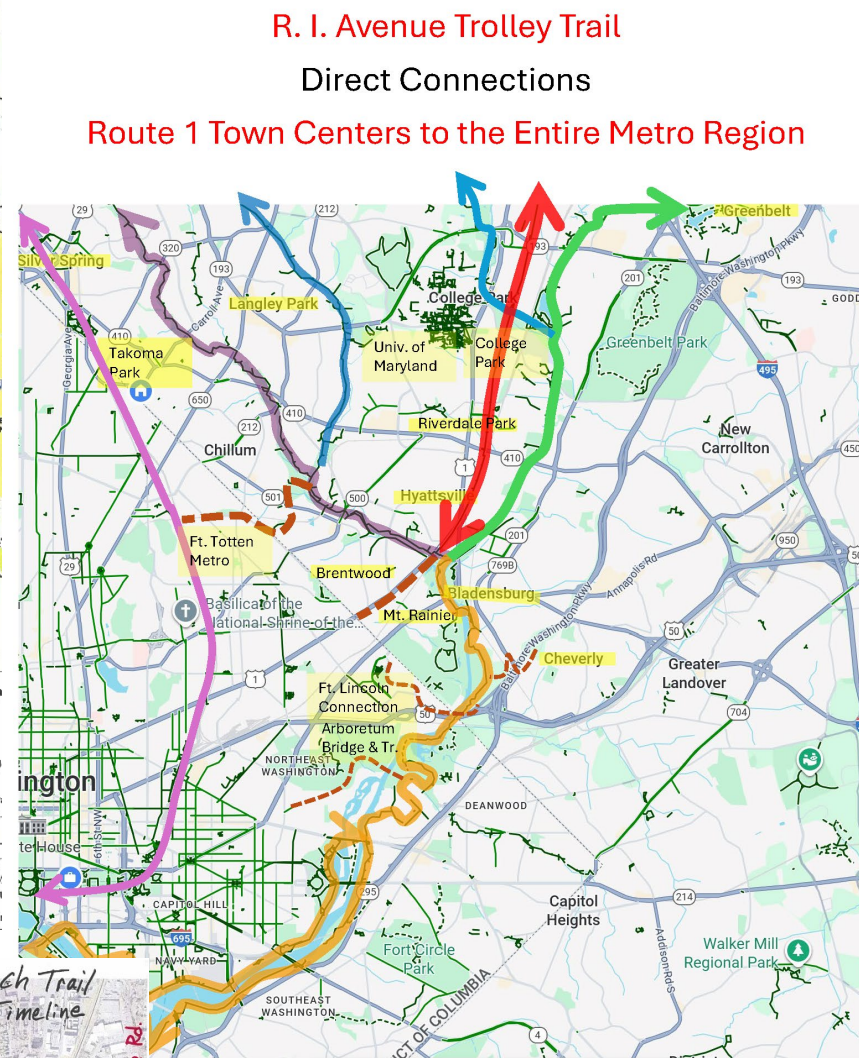
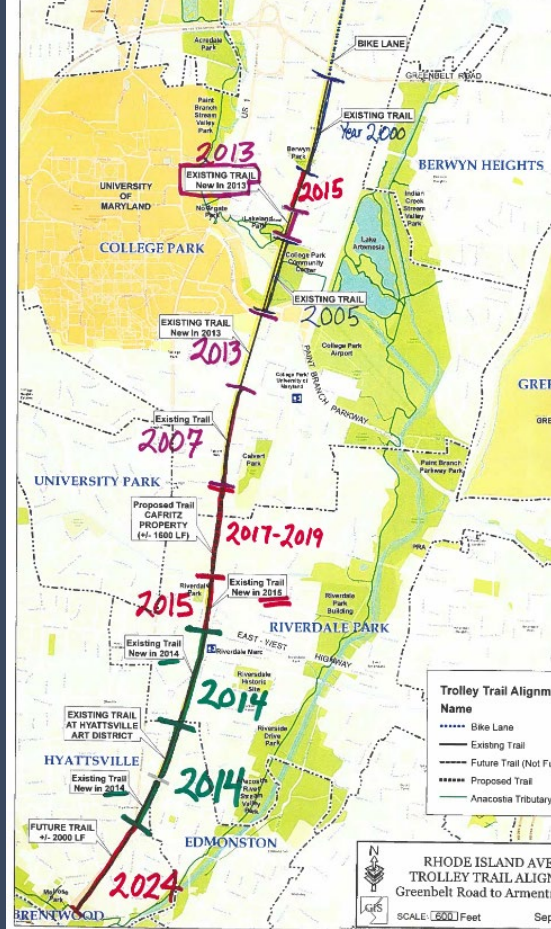
# Streetcar 82



(Courtesy of National Railway Historic Society)



# Rhode Island Avenue Trolley Trail & Regional Development over time



## R. I. Avenue Trolley Trail

### Direct Connections

### Route 1 Town Centers to the Entire Metro Region

### Fully Connected Trail System

- Anacostia River Trail
- Sligo Creek Trail
- Northeast Branch Trail
- Northwest Branch Trail
- Indian Creek Trail
- Paint Branch Trail
- Metropolitan Branch Trail
- Capital Crescent Trail

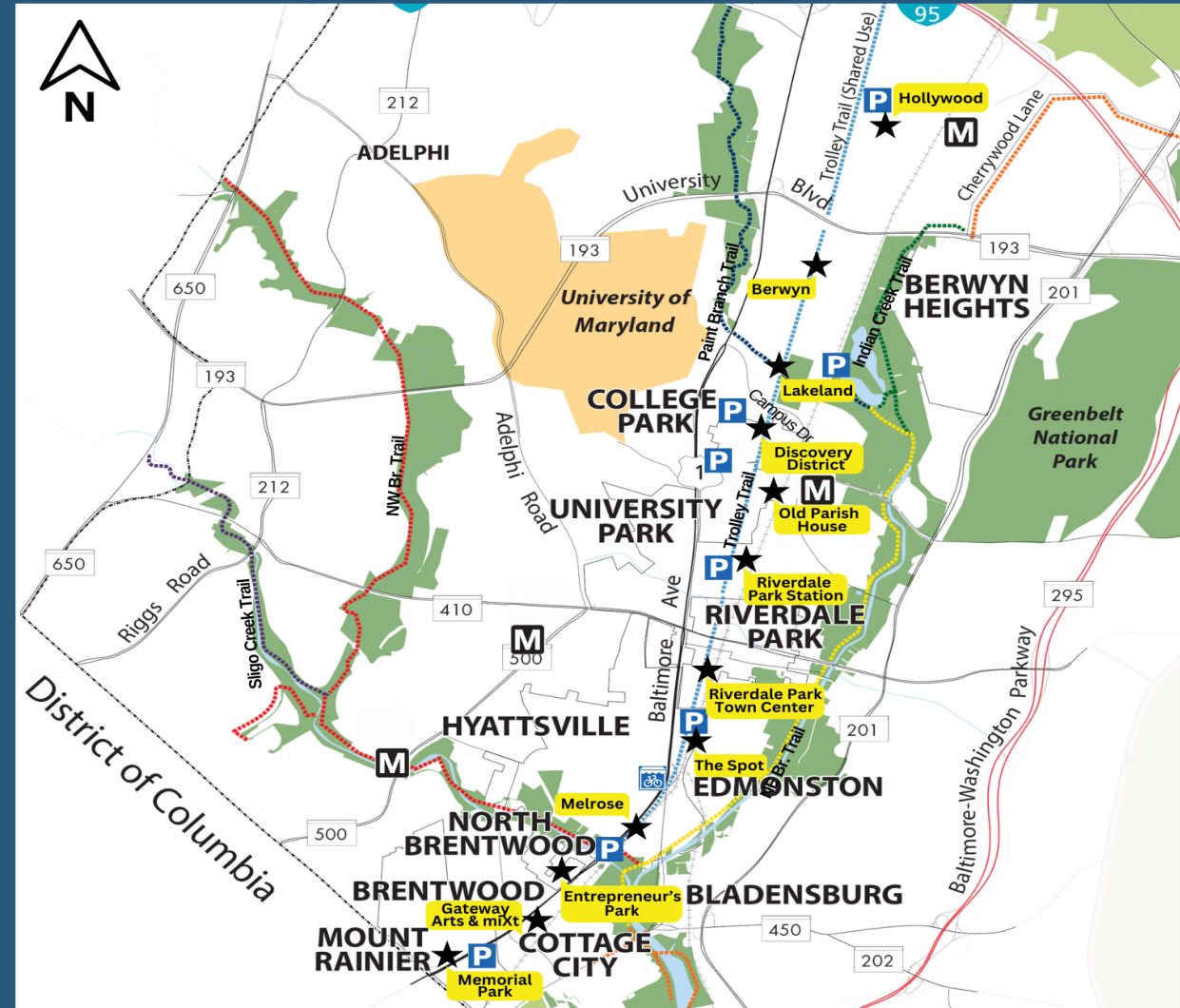
### Under Development:

- Trolley Trail Extension #2
- Anacostia Gateway Trail
- Cheverly Connection
- Ft. Lincoln Connection
- Arboretum Bridge

# Rhode Island Avenue Trolley Trail Area Map

- ✓ Big 10 University (UMD)
- ✓ Transit Center (MARC, Metro, Purple Line, College Park Airport)
- ✓ Historic Neighborhoods
- ✓ Gateway Arts & Entertainment District
- ✓ Parks & Rec facilities: Ice Rink, Aviation Museum, Trails, Parks, Golf Course
- ✓ Arts Organizations: Joe's Movement Emporium, Pyramid Atlantic Art Center, ArtWorks Now, 3711 Studios, Otis Street Arts, Red Dirt Studios, College Park Arts Exchange, Gateway Arts Center, The Clarice, Station 3510, Material Things
- ✓ Award winning restaurants, breweries, distilleries and food halls

# TROLLEY TRAIL DAY MAP



MAP LEGEND		Event Schedule	
	Rhode Island Ave. Trolley Trail		Hollywood Shopping Center (9801 Rhode Island Ave) - 10AM-2PM
	Northeast Branch Trail		Berwyn Business District (4912 Berwyn Rd) - 11AM-3PM
	Indian Creek Trail		Lakeland (Rhode Island Ave from James Adams Park to Pierce Ave) - 11AM-3PM
	Paint Branch Trail		Discovery District (Campus Dr & Rhode Island Ave) - 10AM-2PM
	Northwest Branch Trail		Old Parish House (4711 Knox Rd) - 11AM-3PM
	Sligo Creek Trail		Riverdale Park Station (4704 Van Buren St) - 11AM-3PM
	Parking		Riverdale Park Town Center (6200 Rhode Island Ave) - 11AM-3PM
	Metro Station		Hyattsville - The Spot (4505 Hamilton St) - 11AM-3PM
	Bike Parking		Hyattsville - Melrose Skatepark (4666 Rhode Island Ave) - 10AM-2PM
			Entrepreneur's Park (4506 Rhode Island Ave) - 9AM-11AM
			Gateway Arts Center & miXt Food Hall (Corner of 39th and Rhode Island Ave) - 9AM-11AM
			Memorial Park (3310 Rhode Island Ave) - 9AM-11AM



# Current Trail - College Park





Current Trail - Riverdale Park





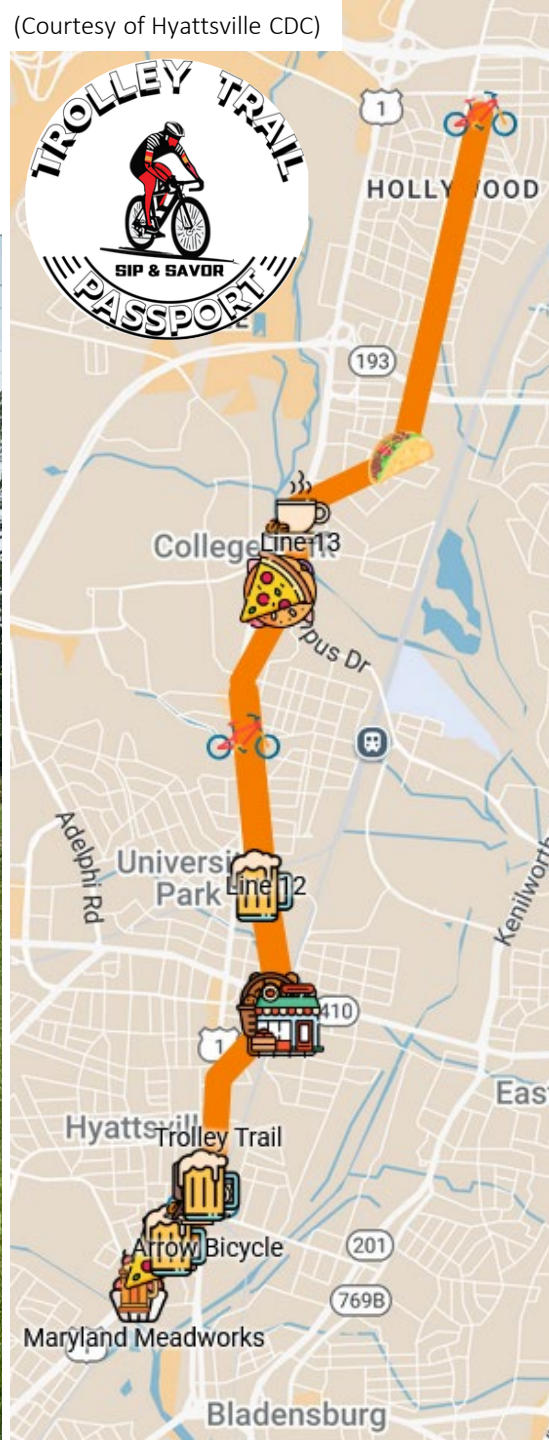
# Current Trail – Hyattsville



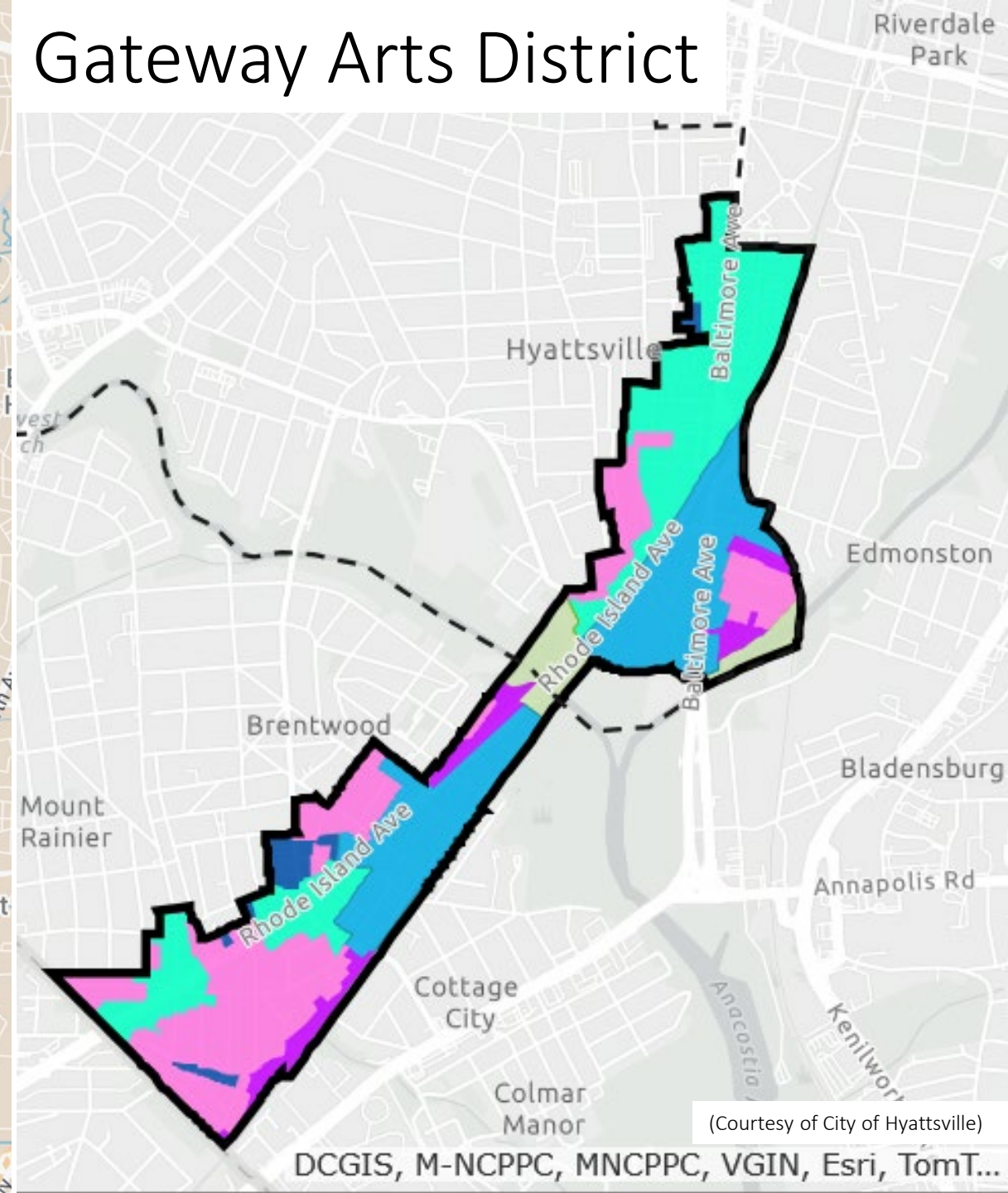
# Trail Benefits



(Courtesy of Hyattsville CDC)



# Gateway Arts District



(Courtesy of City of Hyattsville)



# What's next?

Connecting the rest of the Gateways Arts District



# Building Community Support



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# Holding community events

## Rhode Island Avenue Trolley Trail Extension Event

History, Land Use & a Tour of the Missing Segment



**Saturday, November 23rd**

**1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**Starting at Maryland Meadworks & Ending at Era Wine Bar**

Sponsored By



**Sunday Slow Roll**

meet in the parking lot behind 3711 Studios

JANUARY 25 1PM-3PM  
 FEBRUARY 22 1PM-3PM  
 MARCH 22 1PM-3PM  
 APRIL 26 1PM-3PM  
 MAY 17 1PM-3PM

TROLLEY TRAIL DAY  
 SATURDAY JUNE 13 9AM

Community bike ride to promote friendly safe riding and the extension of the Rhode Island Ave Trolley Trail

**5TH ANNUAL TROLLEY TRAIL DAY**

SATURDAY  
 JUNE 13, 2026  
 TROLLEYTRAILDAY.ORG

ACTIVITIES ALL DAY  
 RAIN OR SHINE

#TrolleyTrailDay

FUN RUN, BIKE RIDES, LOCAL MUSIC, ART, HISTORY, FITNESS, KIDS ACTIVITIES, FOOD & DRINK & MORE!

# Tools for creating and building narrative

**Create a record:** Use consistent metrics and tools. Use tools like Storymap:  
<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/f9ea33d46aad420ba2bd199307042aa0>

**Recap events with video and posting to YouTube:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RkxMYlefp8I>

**Articles in Newspapers:**

<https://dbknews.com/2025/10/27/micromobility-rhode-island-trolley-trail/>

<https://streetcarsuburbs.news/trolley-trail-day-draws-thousands/>

<https://streetcarsuburbs.news/the-hy-life-the-long-wait-is-over-trolley-trail-extension-finally-opens/>

**Finding past initiatives and tying the work together:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-80UDt0I-O8>

Visit [trolleytrailday.org](http://trolleytrailday.org) and save the date!  
Trolley Trail Day is June 13, 2026



A promotional banner for Trolley Trail Day. The top section has a dark blue background with a sun and cloud icon on the left containing the text "SATURDAY JUNE 13, 2026". The center features the large white text "SAVE THE DATE". On the right, a red ribbon banner says "ACTIVITIES ALL DAY RAIN OR SHINE" surrounded by colorful confetti. The middle section shows a silhouette illustration of a city street with people walking a dog, running, sitting on the ground, and riding a bicycle. The bottom section is dark blue with a QR code on the left, the text "TROLLEY TRAIL DAY" in yellow, and a circular logo on the right that reads "TROLLEY TRAIL DAY ISLAND AVENUE TROLLEY 2026".

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