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**Franklin
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Heritage Trail**
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The Franklin Grove Heritage Trail rests on top of an abandoned Rock Island railroad corridor that runs through the heart of the small Iowan city of Belmond. The trail connects the residential section of Belmond to rural farming areas to both the north and south.

Belmond has rallied around this trail, and its upkeep is a true partnership. Regular maintenance is the responsibility of an active friends group, while the city mows along the trail. Recently, benches were installed by Eagle Scouts, providing rest for weary travelers.



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States: Iowa

Counties: Wright

Length: 3 miles

Trail end points: Taylor Ave. and Belmond Rd.
to railroad tracks north of Belmond

Trail surfaces: Asphalt, Cinder

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Inline
Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible

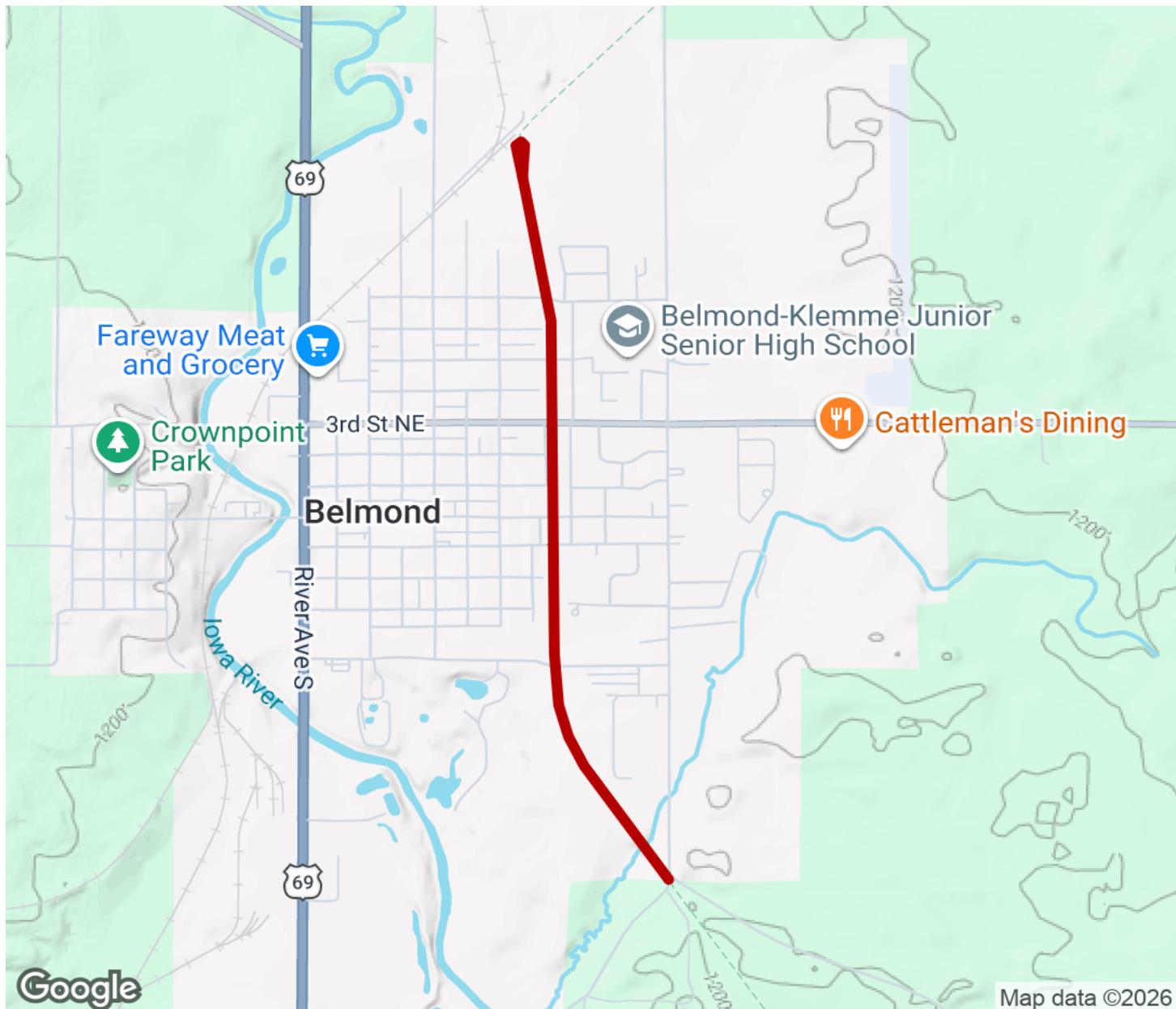
Parking & Trail Access

Belmond is located on US 69 and not far from I-35, making travel easy from both the north and south. The best place to park is at the aptly-named Pool Park at the trail's midpoint on 1st Street SE. The park is home to the city's municipal swimming pool.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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