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Guides



**East Bank  
Trail**  
*Indiana*



## East Bank Trail

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The Indiana Michigan River Valley Trail connects the towns of Niles, MI and Mishawaka, IN via 17 miles of paved multi-use trails, some of which have their own unique identity. The trail also passes different sites like Notre Dame University as well as more than 15 parks and the four downtown areas of Niles and Roseland, MI and South Bend and Mishawaka, IN.

[Indiana Michigan River Valley Trail \(Michigan Section\) | 5.3 miles:](#)

[Lasalle Trail | 3.5 miles:](#)

[Riverside Trail \(IN\) | 3.4 miles:](#)

[East Bank Trail \(IN\) | 1.7 miles:](#)

The northern portion of the East Bank Trail was one of the first rail-trails in Indiana, opening in 1988. The asphalt-surfaced trail stretches for about 0.5 mile through tree-lined South Bend neighborhoods to St. Joseph High School and the edge of the Holy Cross College and University of Notre Dame campuses.

At Howard Street/North Shore Drive, a newer concrete-surfaced segment continues south along the St. Joseph River through downtown's East Bank Village. A crossing over the South Bend Dam provides access to Seitz Park, which overlooks the East Race Waterway, a manmade route for whitewater rafting, kayaking and inner tubing that parallels Niles Avenue.

The trail ends in the south at Howard Park, which offers restrooms, picnic areas, a recreation center and scenic views of the St. Joseph River. A direct connection to the [Northside Trail](#) allows trail users to trek closer to the city of Mishawaka. At the trail's southern end, trail users can access the [West Bank Walkway](#) via a sidewalk along E. Jefferson Blvd.

[Northside Trail | 3 miles:](#)

[West Bank Walkway | 0.6 miles:](#)



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**States:** Indiana

**Counties:** St. Joseph

Length: 1.7miles

**Trail end points:** W. Angela Blvd. just west of  
N. Michigan St./SR 933 to E. Jefferson Blvd. and  
S. St. Louis Blvd. at Howard Park

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt, Concrete

**Trail category:** Rail-Trail

**Trail activities:** Bike, Inline

Skating, Wheelchair Accessible, Walking

## Parking & Trail Access

[Indiana Michigan River Valley Trail \(Michigan Section\):](#)

[Lasalle Trail:](#)

[Riverside Trail \(IN\):](#)

[East Bank Trail \(IN\):](#) There is no designated parking along this section of the trail.

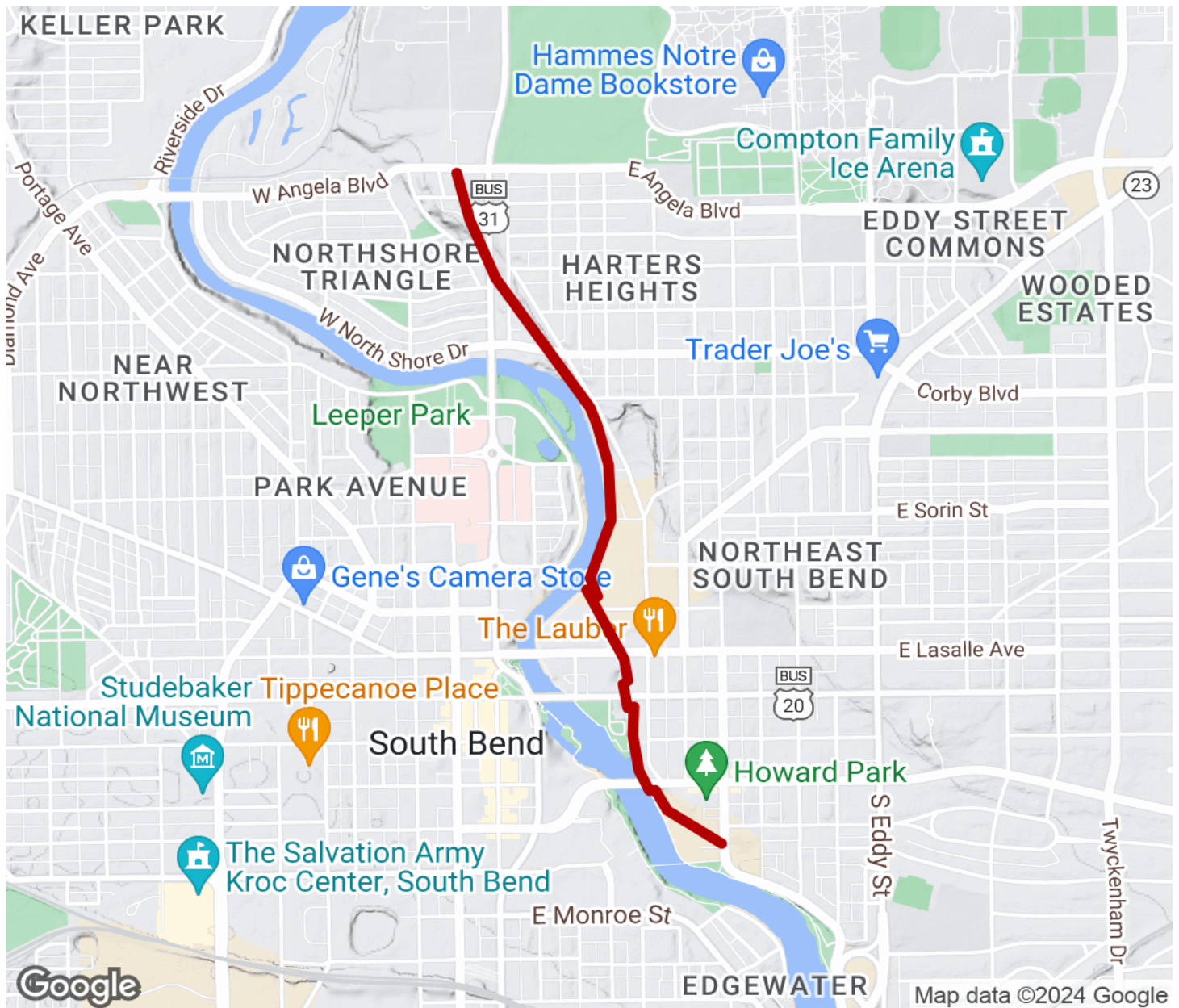
[Northside Trail:](#)

[West Bank Walkway:](#)



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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