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Queen City Trail *Pennsylvania*



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The Queen City Trail also represents a vital link in the developing Erie to Pittsburgh Trail, which also includes 9.7-mile <u>Oil Creek State Park Trail</u> at the Queen City Trail's southern end. The Oil Creek State Park Trail also connects to multiple other trails in the network heading south to Pittsburgh, including the 9.4-mile <u>McClintock Trail</u>, 3-mile <u>Oil City Trail</u>, and 6-mile <u>Samuel Justus</u> <u>Recreation Trail</u>. Eventually, the Queen City Trail will be extended northwest an additional 6 miles to Hydetown, further advancing the goal of a connected long-distance

trail from Erie to Pittsburgh. The Queen City Trail is also part of the Industrial Heartland Trails Coalition's developing 1,500-mile trail network through Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, and New York.

Begin your journey at the shared trailhead with the <u>Oil Creek</u> <u>State Park Trail</u> just south of Titusville on Drake Well Road. Unlike its longer neighbor, the Queen City Trail is a greenway, though it is just as flat as a rail-trail. Heading north from Drake Well Road, watch the low clearance as you pass almost immediately under an active rail line. With Oil Creek to your right, follow the trail along the edge of the Ed Myer Complex, a park property managed by the City of Titusville, where you might see soccer, baseball, or softball games in action.

In just under 1 mile, shortly after leaving the sports complex, you'll merge seamlessly onto Bank Street, a low-stress residential road. This on-road portion of trail, marked with signage, continues over Oil Creek via South Brown Street before the trail resumes to the left behind Titusville Middle School. The remainder of the trail follows the northern bank of the creek before ending at the intersection of South Martin and East Mechanic Streets. Downtown Titusville, with shops, restaurants, and a couple of breweries, is just a short trek up South Franklin Street (one block west from the endpoint), with the creek behind you.



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States: Pennsylvania Counties: Crawford, Venango Length: 1.5miles Trail end points: Oil Creek State Park Trail at Drake Well Road, just north of Museum Lane to S. Martin St. and E. Mechanic St. (Titusville) Trail surfaces: Asphalt Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT Trail activities: Bike,Inline Skating,Wheelchair Accessible,Walking

Parking & Trail Access

To reach parking at the southeastern trailhead at the Jersey Bridge Parking Area, which is shared with the Oil Creek State Park Trail, from I-79, take Exit 141, turn right onto SR 285 E, and go 7.4 miles. Turn left onto SR 173 N, and go 8.0 miles. Turn right onto SR 27 E, and go 15.7 miles. Take a slight right onto W. Spring St., and go 0.2 mile; then turn right onto S. Perry St., and go 0.3 mile, crossing Oil Creek. Turn left onto W. Bloss St./Allen St./Drake Well Road, and go just more than 1 mile. Turn right into the trailhead parking lot, just before Drake Well Road crosses Oil Creek.

To reach parking at the northwestern endpoint near downtown Titusville from I-79, follow the directions above to W. Spring St. Go 0.4 mile, continue onto Diamond St., and take the first right onto S. Martin St. Go 0.2 mile, and turn left into the parking lot, just before S. Martin St. dead-ends.



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