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Guides



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Greenway**
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The Western Reserve Greenway travels 43 miles through a scenic, mostly rural area, cutting a north-south course from Ashtabula to Warren in northeastern Ohio. The route follows much of the Pennsylvania Railroad's former branch line, extending to the shores of Lake Erie at Ashtabula. This rail line once transported iron ore to the steel mills of eastern Ohio and western Pennsylvania. Today, the trail is the longest section of the planned 110-mile Great Ohio Lake-to-River Greenway that will begin

on the shores of Lake Erie and travel south to the banks of the Ohio River in East Liverpool.

The Western Reserve Greenway begins only a few miles from Lake Erie, and a planned extension will bring it right to the shoreline. For now, you can start at Herzog Rotary Park (off Woodman Avenue), where you will find the first of 12 interpretive signs detailing the importance of northeast Ohio in the Underground Railroad. The greenway is used year-round but note that snowmobiling is allowed only in Ashtabula County (the northern half of the trail).

Heading south, cross the historical King Bridge, a steel trestle built in 1897 that now spans Clay Street. Ahead is Austinburg, with a trailhead and plenty of options for food and drink. South of town, reenter the trail's rural surroundings and enjoy the company of deer, beavers, and a multitude of birds, including wild turkeys and waterfowl.

The trail passes through the east side of Rock Creek, a small town with a few restaurants and a lovely park located along the creek. In 2022, a new section of paved trail eliminated the need for an on-road detour and completed the continuous off-road route through Rock Creek.

Upon leaving the community, you'll cross a trestle spanning the eponymous watercourse. The bridge features bump-outs that give a bird's-eye view of the creek and scenery below. When the path picks up again, you sail beneath sheltering trees and past the tiny village of Orwell, with a trailhead located below a water tower off Oak Street.

A stone arch bridge over Baughman Creek in Trumbull County is a true highlight of the Western Reserve Greenway.

Back on the trail, you will come to the Sunside trailhead. The rail-trail continues beyond here to North River Road in Warren, where you can connect to the [Garrett Wonders Bike Trail](#) heading south into town.



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States: Ohio

Counties: Ashtabula, Trumbull

Length: 43miles

Trail end points: W 52nd St & Madison Ave
(Ashtabula) to N River Rd NW, 0.1 mile west of
Sferra Ave NW (Warren)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Inline

Skating, Wheelchair

Accessible, Snowmobiling, Walking, Cross

Parking & Trail Access

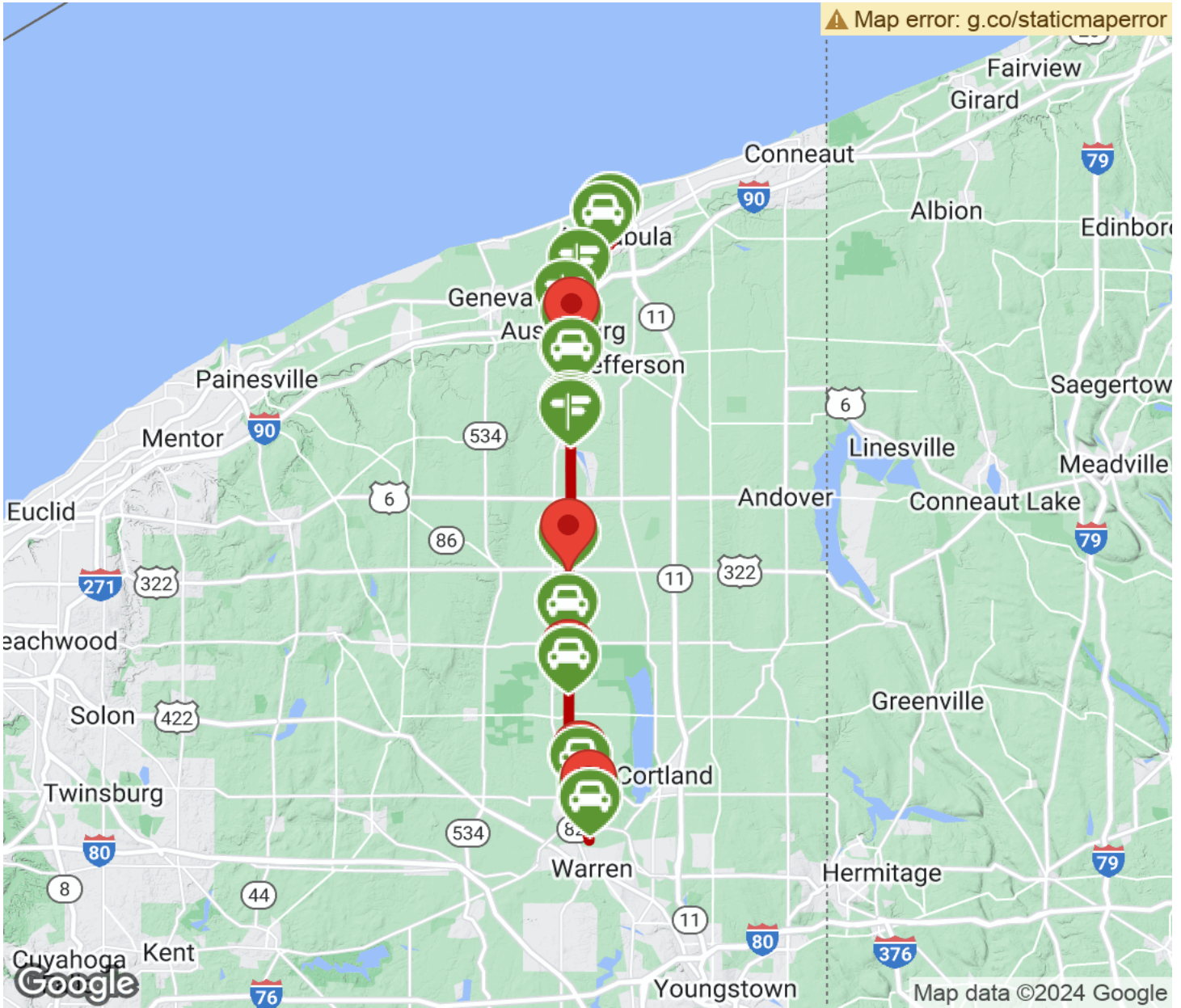
Parking is available at a number of locations along the trail.

See [TrailLink map](#) for all options and detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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