

## **Freestate Happy Wanderers Mount Airy 5K & 10K Year-Round Event**

*These walk directions and maps may only be used in conjunction with a signed American Volkssport Association athletic waiver. All other uses prohibited.*

### **Trail Description:**

Trail rating 2A (i.e. Some moderate hills or stair climbing. Almost entirely on pavement.) Trail is on sidewalks, pathways and roadsides in town of Mount Airy. Main Street, Mount Airy is a NRHP National Historic District featuring the development of transportation from the time of the National Road, the B & O Railroad 1838 to present time. One side of Main Street is in Frederick County (W) and the other Carroll County (E).

### **Special programs:**

Little Free Libraries  
Walking with America's Veterans

### **Start Point:**

McDonalds - 1706 Ridgeside Dr, Mt Airy, MD 21771 #301-829-5718  
GPS Coordinates of the Start Point: 39.36350, -77.16456

### **Amenities:**

Restrooms are available in the McDonald's.

### **AFTER completing the walk:**

Please remember to log back into the OSB's "Finish Table" after completing your walk. There you will enter the date of your walk, the distance completed, any special programs, then finalize and print your insert cards with stamps.

### **Event related questions:**

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### **YRE Driving Directions:**

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#### **From Washington, D.C. and Northern Virginia:**

Take I-270 north away from Washington D.C. Continue on I-270 till Exit 16a MD27/Damascus (Father Hurley Blvd). Stay on MD27, it crosses MD-355 Rockville Pike, for approx. 12 miles to Mount Airy. After going under I-70 overpass, turn left at the next light onto Main St. In 1 block turn right on to Ridgeside Dr.; McDonalds is on your left.

#### **From Baltimore and points north:**

Take I-70 west away from Baltimore. Continue on I-70 for approx. 24 miles to Exit 68 to Mt. Airy, the exit becomes Main St. Go through light at end of exit ramp crossing Ridge Rd (MD-27), in 1 block at the next intersection turn right on to Ridgeside Dr.; McDonalds is on your left.

## Mt. Airy 5 KM YEAR ROUND WALK

1. Leave McDonalds towards the Chick-fil-A, **TURN LEFT** on Ridgeside Dr. walking uphill to traffic light.
2. **TURN LEFT** at the traffic light onto E. Ridgeville Blvd.
3. **TURN RIGHT** at next traffic light and cross E. Ridgeville Blvd and immediately **TURN LEFT** to cross S. Main St.
4. **TURN RIGHT** walking north on S. Main St. to 808 S. Main St. (*Little Library left of driveway facing, Warfield Street.*)
5. Continue on S. Main St. to Ben Gue Antiques (4 S. Main St.). **TURN RIGHT** to cross S. Main St. immediately **TURN RIGHT** to head south on S. Main St.
6. At Park Ave. **TURN LEFT** and follow Park Ave uphill.
7. Before Frederick Ave. **TURN RIGHT** cross Park Ave. immediately **TURN LEFT** to continue along Park Ave.
8. **BEAR RIGHT** onto Ridge Ave. Continue on Ridge Ave. passing Carrol County Library.
9. Continue on Ridge Ave. down and up a grade. **BEAR RIGHT** onto E. Ridgeville Blvd passing Mount Airy Shopping Center.
10. Continue on E. Ridgeville Blvd. to S. Main St.
11. **TURN LEFT** crossing E. Ridgeville Blvd and on S. Main St.
12. Follow S. Main St. as it bears left till you reach the McDonalds on your left. (5.004 km)

***Thank you for walking with the  
Freestate Happy Wanderers.***

# Unnamed Route



## Mt. Airy 10 KM YEAR ROUND WALK

1. Leave McDonalds towards the Chick-fil-A, **TURN LEFT** on Ridgeside Dr. walking uphill to traffic light.
2. **TURN LEFT** at the traffic light onto E. Ridgeville Blvd.
3. **TURN RIGHT** at next traffic light and cross E. Ridgeville Blvd and immediately **TURN LEFT** to cross S. Main St.
4. **TURN RIGHT** walking north on S. Main St. to 808 S. Main is. (*Little Library left of driveway facing, Warfield Street.*)
5. Continue on S. Main St. to Ben Gue Antiques (4 S. Main St.). **TURN RIGHT** to cross S. Main St. immediately **TURN LEFT** to continue heading north now called N. Main St.
6. Continue on N. Main St. up the slight hill and **TURN RIGHT** onto E. Church St. till it dead-ends at barricade.
7. Proceed around the barricade and **TURN RIGHT** onto the path, continue walking counter clockwise around Watkins Park (approximately one mile loop).
8. **TURN LEFT** at the road and follow road as it bears left until you pickup the asphalt trail again past the tennis courts.
9. Continue following the asphalt trail counter clockwise, passing Park Ridge Elementary School on your left, until you reach the road leading back to the barricade where you entered the park.
10. **TURN RIGHT** and proceed around the barricade on to E. Church St. continuing straight to the stop sign at N. Main St. (5 Km)
11. Cross and **TURN LEFT** on N. Main St. walking downhill.
12. **TURN RIGHT** on Prospect Rd. walking on the right side passing the home locally known as "The Castle" on your left.
13. Continue past Hill St., Donald's Lane, and East Rd. to Heritage Farm Dr. at the bottom of the hill on your left.
14. **TURN LEFT** and cross Prospect Rd. and walk on the right side of Heritage Farm Dr. uphill to an asphalt path on your right just past 206 Heritage Farm Dr. and the fire hydrant.
15. **TURN RIGHT** on asphalt path, cross 2 bridges.
16. **TURN LEFT** after the second bridge, following path between houses up to a stop sign.
17. **TURN LEFT** on Rising Ridge Rd. (no sign) continue past Meadow Field Ct. and Rambling Sunset Circle.
18. At Leafy Hallow Circle, **TURN RIGHT** Cross Rising Ridge Rd. and continue straight on Leaf Hallow Circle to the next stop sign.
19. **TURN LEFT** on Deer Hollow Dr. Twin Ridge Elementary School will be on your right.
20. At the next stop sign, cross and **TURN RIGHT** on Rising Ridge Rd. (no sign) precede downhill across railroad tracks.
21. **TURN LEFT** on W. Ridgeville BLVD. at the traffic light.
22. Proceed up hill to the traffic light at S. Main St.
23. Cross S. Main St. and immediately **TURN RIGHT** to cross E. Ridgeville Blvd.
24. **TURN LEFT** on E. Ridgeville Blvd to traffic light.
25. **TURN RIGHT** on Ridgeside Dr. walk downhill to finish at McDonalds.

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