

Sheldon, IA – O'Brien County

Start/Finish: Hills Park

220 Maryetta Rd

Sheldon, IA 51201

43.19238090-95.85285880

7K or 11K

Registration: Registration is by Online Start Box only. This seasonal event is available from April 15 to October 15.

Driving Directions: Sheldon is 210 miles from Des Moines in Northwest Iowa on east/west US Hwy 18. From US Hwy 18 turn north on 2nd Av at the four-way stop. (If you are coming from the east turn right or from the west turn left.) Hills Park is a short distance on the left side.

Parking: Driving straight into the park you will see a few parking spaces on the left. The walk will start at archway across the grassy area.

Walk Description: The walk starts on a well-maintained bike trail through the woods, along corn fields and pasture lands. You may see cattle and sheep along the way. Leaving the trail you will walk along city streets in business and residential areas.

Restrooms: Restrooms are available in the campground at the start.

Special Programs: Rails to trails

Par for the Course



Start Point

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1. **Head** toward the archway which is the start of the Sheldon Recreational Trail system.
2. **Follow** this trail for 2K to the under pass of US Hwy 18. Along the way you will pass corn fields and the fair grounds. You will cross McKinley Ave by the Sheldon Hotel.
3. **Continue** on the trail under Hwy 18 until you come to a trail intersection by a small flower garden with two benches.
4. **Hard Left** on the trail heading toward the city.
5. **At the end of the trail turn left** on Western Av walking on the left side of the road facing traffic.
6. **Cross** Western Av at 10th St and continue on the right side of Western Av to 8th St.
7. **Right** on 8th St to 3rd Av. Be careful. Watch for trucks in this congested area. Cross the railroad tracks. Carefully cross 2nd Av. *AGP is a soy processing plant.*
8. **Right** on 3rd Av to 9th St. This is the downtown business area.
9. **Left** on 9th St to 6th Av.
10. **Left** on 6th Av to stoplight at Hwy 18.
11. **Cross** the highway with the light and continue on 6th Av.

12. **Left** on Pine St for 1 block to 5th Av.
13. **Right** on 5th Ave until it intersects with the trail.

Decision Point: 7K Walkers: Go to #18.

14. **11K Walkers: Right** on trail for 2K passing Sunrise Park until you reach US Hwy 18.
15. **Right** on 18th Av to Oak St.
16. **Left** on Oak St to 5th Av.
17. **Right** on 5th Av. To intersection with trail again.
18. **Left** on trail to carefully cross 2nd Av.
19. **Left** on 2nd Ave walking on the bike trail on the right side of the street.
20. **Right** at entrance to Hills Park and finish.

Thank you for visiting Sheldon.

Hope you enjoyed the walk.

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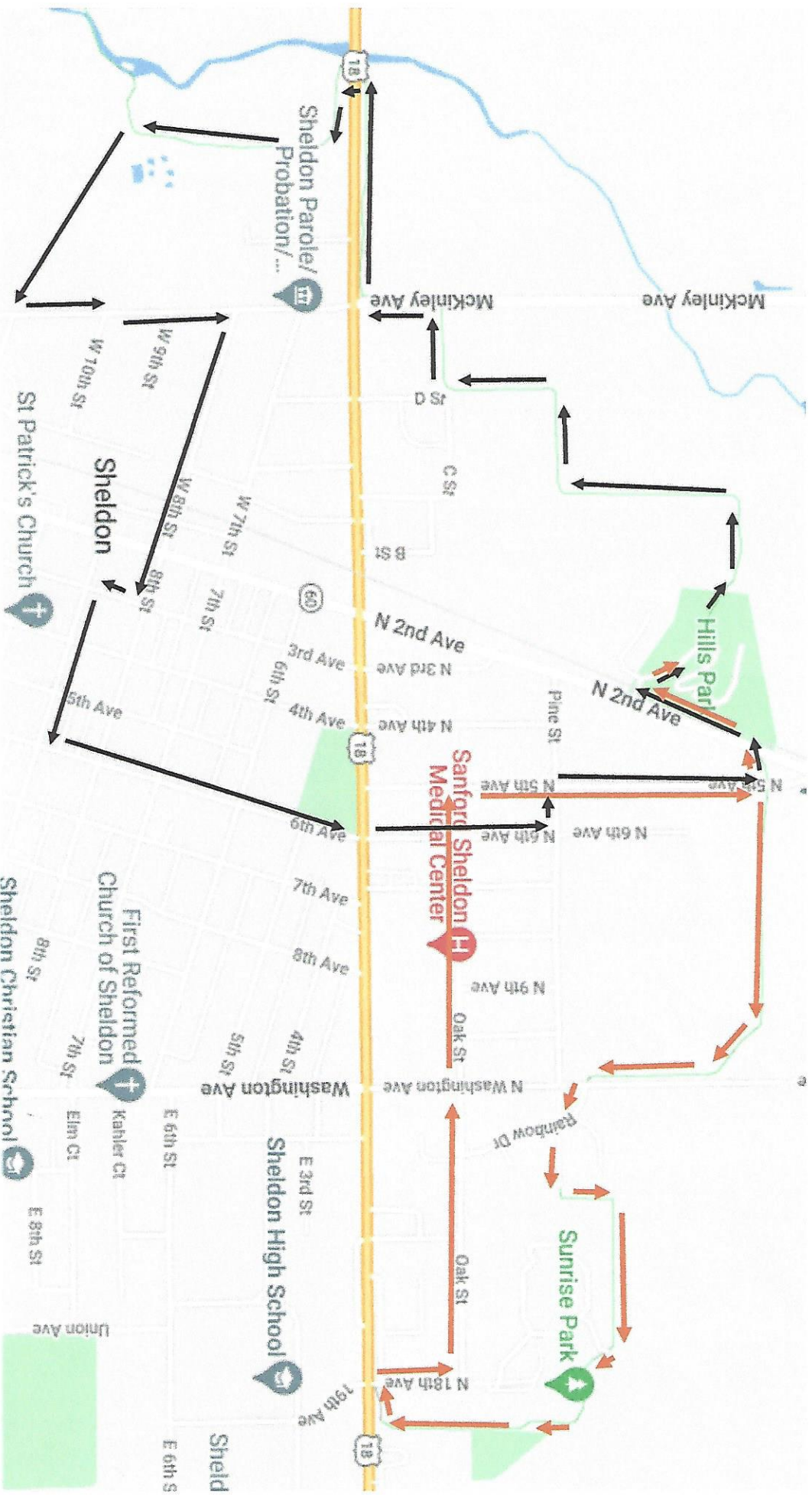
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Black arrows = 7K

Black & Red = 11K