

Kittanning - 2025

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1. Kittanning is a borough in Armstrong County, PA. It was originally the site of a Lenape (Delaware) village of the same name and the site of the Battle of Kittanning in 1756 during the French and Indian War. The Kittanning borough was incorporated in 1803 and became the seat of Armstrong County.
2. This Volkswalk has been sanctioned as a Year Round Event. The walk is an out and back on the Armstrong Trail. *The 52.5 mile long Armstrong Trail is located on the former Allegheny Valley Railroad line along the eastern bank of the Allegheny River in Armstrong and Clarion Counties in Western Pennsylvania. The trail runs from East Brady, in the north, southward to Schenley. Towns along the trail are Ford City, Kittanning, Templeton, and East Brady. Note that most of the story boards do not reflect the recent extension to Schenley.*
3. Driving directions to the start point at the Richard G Snyder YMCA in Kittanning are included in the walk directions.
4. Special Programs that this Volkswalk qualifies for are identified in the walk directions.

Be sure to log back into the OSB system to “finish/complete” your online registration after doing the event. The OSB system does not deduct any event fee from a participant’s Event Bank until they have submitted event completion info including the date the event was biked, the distance biked, and the selection of applicable special programs that person is participating in. (Nevertheless, a fee of \$2 for a downloaded PDF is deducted from the user’s Event Bank when the PDF is downloaded. Later, any PDF fees are credited back to a user’s Event Bank when he/she submits the event completion info as a paying for credit participant. Note, however, the \$2 coupon for the downloaded PDF will expire in 30 days.)

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5K & 10K Year Round Volkswalk

Emergency Phone Number: 911

Start Point:

Richard G Snyder YMCA
1150 N Water St
Kittanning, PA 16201

Note: If you are just following GPS, this address takes you to the back of the YMCA building, facing N Water St. Go past the YMCA, turn right onto the driveway, and spiral in to go past the main entrance. Park past the YMCA building in the last parking lot on the left.

Driving Directions to Start Point:

Driving Directions from the East:

1. From US-422, take US-422 Business into Kittanning
2. US-422 Business will turn right will become S Water St.
3. Continue on S Water St. S Water St will become N Water St.
4. Pass Beech St. Turn right onto the next street (Monteith St).
5. The YMCA will be on the left. Park in the first parking lot on the left.

The YMCA has controlled access. If you need to use the restroom or get water, inform the registration desk that you are bicycling and need to use the restroom. They will let you in. Restrooms are around the corner on the right. A water fountain (will fill water bottles) is further down the hall on the left.

There are no obvious restrooms or water sources on the walk.

Walk Directions:

1. From the parking lot, walk uphill on the sidewalk that is on the right side of the Dr David H Kohl Annex.
2. Turn right onto the Armstrong Trail. *To the left, are the posts for Mile Marker 45 of the Erie to Pittsburgh Trail. As of June 2024, the "45" was missing.*
3. Cross several streets as you walk through Kittanning. Note the banners honoring local veterans. At the traffic light at Market St (1.6K), the Armstrong County Court House is uphill to the left.

4. 5K turn around at the middle of King Lanes (bowling alley) (2.5K) and return to the YMCA. *There is a large parking lot. The building is beige with a teal colored metal roof. The "King Lanes" sign is at the road.*

5. Pass Mile Marker 43, Erie to Pittsburgh Trail.



6. Go under US-422/Benjamin Franklin Hwy (4K). *The underside of the bridge is light blue and there is a power distribution facility just past the bridge.*

7. Enter Manorville.

8. 10K turn-around is at the story board about Mill Street (5K). *There is no sign for "Mill Street" at the intersection with the Armstrong Trail. There is a sign downhill at the next intersection but it is difficult to see from the Trail. Just before Mill Street, on the left, there is an overgrown, gravel parking lot and a bicycle repair stand. Cross Mill Street and the story board is on the right.*



9. Return to the YMCA.

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The 270 mile long Erie to Pittsburgh Trail is a network of trails through Pennsylvania and New York. The Armstrong Trail is one of the trails that make up the Erie to Pittsburgh Trail.

Special programs this event qualifies for:

- Rails to Trails (Armstrong Trail)
- Walking with America's Veterans
- KSVVA Counties Program (Armstrong)

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