



UNIVERSITY CENTER TRAIL

In a few years, students will be able to ride their bikes on a green trail between the campuses of Delta College and Saginaw Valley State University. The University Center Trail will provide benefit and enjoyment for many generations to come, preserve natural habitat, and create opportunity for curriculum exploration and environmental education. The 4-mile long, 12-foot wide, asphalt trail is expected to begin in 2010 will serve as a non-motorized transportation route between our communities.

A VISION OF GREEN

The University Center Trail is a model of collaboration for a sustainable goal. The first link to connect two different counties, it has brought together representatives from the state, counties, townships, foundations, and colleges. The trail was identified as a priority in a 2005 "Vision of Green" report by the Saginaw Bay Greenways Collaborative. The project recently received the first of many grants, a \$50,000 from the Saginaw Bay Watershed Initiative Network, early in the project origination. Other generous support (as of April 2010) has since been secured:

- Barth Foundation
- Consumers Energy
- Gerstacker Foundation
- Jury Foundation
- Midland Community Foundation
- Saginaw Valley State University
- Strosacker Foundation
- Watershed Initiative
- Citizens Bank (Michael Jeffers Family Memorial Fund)

COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABILITY

We value our reputation as an integral part of the community. Green trails strengthen that link through the spirit of cooperative venture. We are proud to be a part of the vision to enhance the education, health, and well-being of our community. The environmental, social, and economic benefit of a green trails system aligns with our commitment to sustainability. The presence of trails links directly to the goals of our campus master plan.

- Preserves natural habitat
- Reduces automobile use and our carbon footprint.
- Serves as a non-motorized transportation route between our communities
- Improves physical health of trail users
- Creates opportunity for curriculum exploration and environmental education
- Preserves the natural corridors between tri-county parks and recreation areas
- Enhances the course offerings of the College's Health & Wellness Programs
- Creates access to safe, close-to-home recreational and educational opportunities

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Delta College...Where our Color Will Always Be Green!