

# The Meramec Valley Trail Association



We are a volunteer organization with a mission to connect communities, create greater access to outdoor recreation, and provide a boost to the local economies along the Meramec River valley.



## GET INVOLVED!

### Volunteer

This project is supported entirely by volunteer resources. If you want to help ensure this project is a success and you're interested in being a part of our team, please reach out to us through our website, email, or social media.

### Landowner Partnership

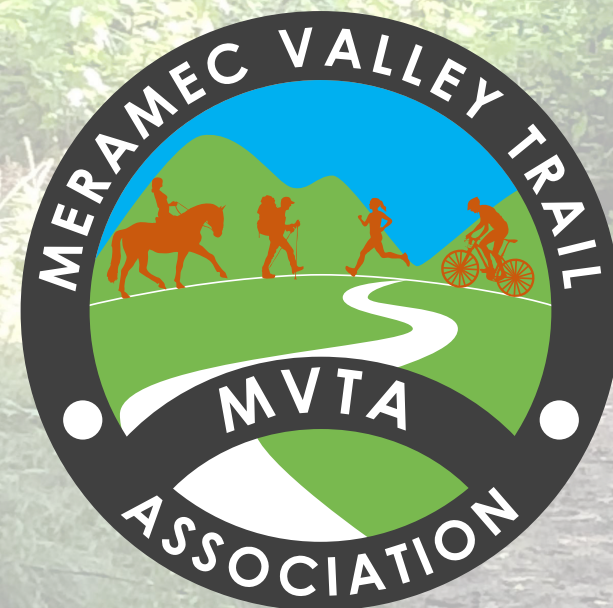
If you are a landowner and interested in learning more about the trail and how it may benefit you, please contact us or grab our Landowner's Guide where you can find answers to some of the most frequently asked questions.

Want to stay up to date on the latest news, events, and fundraisers?

Simply go to [meramecvalleytrails.com](http://meramecvalleytrails.com) and subscribe to our email list.

*"Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail."*

-Ralph Waldo Emerson



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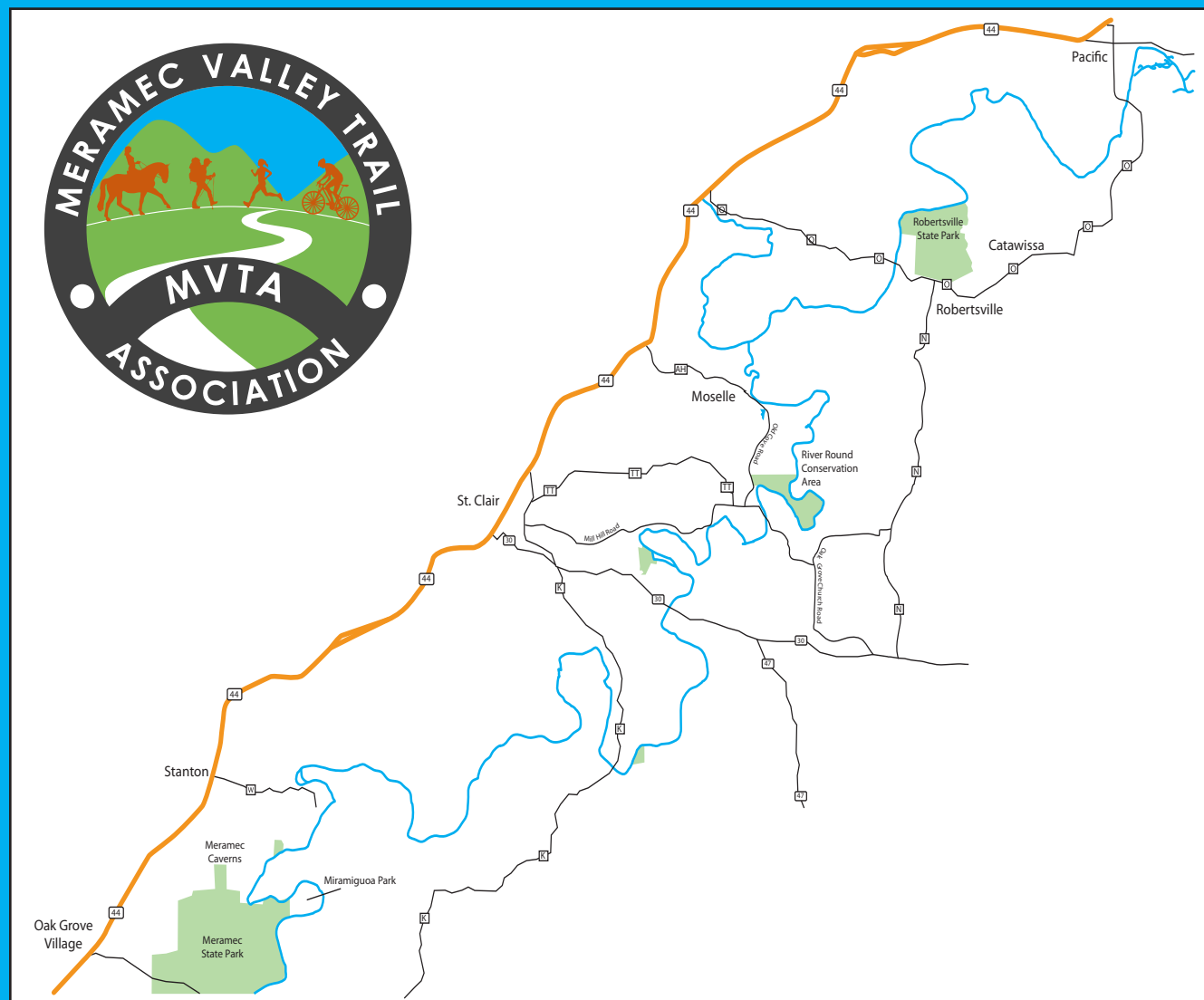
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## Economic Impact

- The trail will provide low or no-cost recreation to families with low costs relative to other recreational services.
- The trail will boost spending at local businesses. Communities along the trail will benefit from the influx of visitors going to restaurants, snack shops and other retail establishments. A trail of this magnitude will benefit hotels, bed and breakfasts, and outdoor outfitters, as well.
- The trail will increase the value of nearby properties.
- The trail will make nearby communities more attractive places to live. When considering where to move, homebuyers rank walking and biking paths as one of the most important features of a new community.
- The trail will revitalize depressed areas, creating a demand for space in what were once vacant buildings.
- These benefits represent a huge economic return on the money invested into the project. The costs of land acquisition, construction and maintenance are far outweighed by the economic benefits generated by the trail connection.



### The Trail Corridor

We anticipate the trail traversing through the highlighted area. If your property falls inside or near the red area, please consider reaching out to us...we want to talk to you!