

**Mechanicsburg**  
**Cumberland County Walk**  
**Sponsored by the Susquehanna Rovers**



IVV Credit Only

Year-Round Walk 111980 AT19/Y1416  
January 1 – December 31, 2019  
10k and 5k with a Trail Rating of 1A

CUMBERLAND COUNTY

**Trail:** The trail is on sidewalks and a park path. You will stroll thru an older town with many old houses, a historic train station and several Victorian homes.

Mechanicsburg was settled in 1806 and incorporated as a borough on April 12, 1828. It was named after a settlement of mechanics that made and repaired wagons.

It is a history lover's dream with many historic "Tower" or "Turret" homes. It has many old Pennsylvania Railroad sites including: The Stationmaster's House built in 1863, the Passenger Station erected in 1866 and the Freight Station built circa 1870. The Frankenberger Tavern and Union Church, both built in the early 1800s, are excellent examples of early Pennsylvania architecture and lifestyle. It was also occupied by Confederate forces for two days.

The downtown area of Mechanicsburg is lined with a collection of mom-and-pop restaurants and shops. It is the home of Jubilee Day, the largest and longest- running one-day street fair on the East Coast. It is estimated as many as 60,000 people attend Jubilee Day annually. It is usually the 3rd Thursday in June.

**Start Location & Hours:**

Rutters Farm Store #29  
714 West Main St., Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Open 24/7. Please walk in daylight hours only.

**Registration Procedures:** The walk box is located inside the Rutter's in the seating area. See the "Physical Start Box" procedures on the General Information page.

**Conditions:** Strollers will have medium difficulty and it would be hard for wheelchairs. Most intersections do not have curb cut ramps. Pets are welcome, but not permitted in all buildings along the trail. Local law requires that all pets are leashed, and you must clean up after them.

**Award & Fees:** No award for this walk. IVV Credit Only is \$3.00. Children 12 and under are not charged for IVV credit.

**Comfort & Facilities:** Water and restrooms are available at the Start Point. Along the trail are public restrooms and restaurants where refreshments can be purchased. Recommend carrying water on this trail.

**AVA Special Programs:** Ice Cream Parlors, Little Free Libraries, Points of Reference, Take a Walk In a City Park, Treasure Hunt - A way to walk our precious trails, Walk the USA - Street by Street

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**Directions and Parking:**

**From Route 641:** Follow east or west to traffic light at Simpson Street. Turn into Rutter's Farm Store parking lot.

**From I-81:** Take Route 114 East (exit 57) exit and travel toward Mechanicsburg. At Main Street (Route 641) turn right to traffic light at Simpson Street. Turn right into Rutter's Farm Store parking lot.

**From US Route 15:** Take Route 114 North exit and travel toward Mechanicsburg. At Main Street (Route 641) turn left to traffic light at Simpson Street. Turn right into Rutter's Farm Store parking lot.

Please park on the far side of the building away from the gas pumps.

