



# Support the I.T.S. Trail

## Our Mission Statement:

The long-term mission of the ITS Trail Committee is to create a system of public, multi-use, natural recreational trails that will enrich the communities of southeastern Macoupin County, while enhancing the entire region by providing trail users opportunities to

- A. interact with nature
- B. enjoy outdoor physical exercise
- C. appreciate the rich history of our region
- D. assure all a readily accessible and safe environment

The immediate short-term mission of the ITS Trail Committee is to develop a trail from Staunton through Sawyerville, to Benld along the former Illinois Traction System Railroad corridor, to connect to the Benld-Gillespie trail.

## Annual I.T.S. Trail Membership Application

### Contact Information – Please Print

<b>Company Name:</b>		
<b>Family</b>	<b>First Name:</b>	<b>Last Name:</b>
<b>Individual</b>	<b>First Name:</b>	<b>Last Name:</b>
<b>Street Address</b>		
<b>City.ST.ZIP Code</b>		
<b>Home Phone</b>		
<b>Work Phone</b>		
<b>E-Mail Address</b>		

### Select Dues Level

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 10 Individual      | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 20 Family     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 40 Non-Profit/Club | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 50 Business   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Corporate       | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 250 Silver    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$500 Gold            | <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000 Platinum |

### Interests – Tell us in which areas you may be interested in volunteering

- |   |                                      |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Administration   | <input type="checkbox"/> Events      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Field Work       | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Drive | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:      |

**All of the information on this application will be used only as a record of membership in the Illinois Traction System Committee and will not be released without permission.**

**Please Mail this Application with Your Check to:**

**I.T.S. Trail Committee, Inc.  
916 North Easton  
Staunton, IL 62088**

**Thank You for your support!!**

# Illinois Traction System Trail Committee

## Membership in the Illinois Traction System Trail Committee in Macoupin County Illinois

### Benefits:

**Individual and Family Members receive membership cards and stickers**

**All other members receive a certificate of membership and are listed by category on our Sponsors page.**

**Non-profit, Business and Corporate members will receive a descriptive link to their website on our Links to Related Enterprises Page.**

**Silver, Gold, and Platinum members will be also noted in future editions of any maps or brochures initiated by the committee.**

**✚ Platinum members become Lifetime Members and will have an additional link on our Homepage**

### Membership Promotions:

**In July of each year, a Bicycle Package will be given to the lucky winner at the Downtown Staunton Mainstreet Event. All members as of the day of the drawing will be able to compete in this drawing through their membership. All types of members compete equally for this promotional giveaway. Join today and WIN!**

**Please note that additional tickets for this drawing are available upon request.**

### Our Vision of this Trail:

**The ITS Trail, when complete, will be one of Illinois' longest continuous rails-to-trails projects. It will meander some 95 miles, plus or minus; through the countryside of Madison, Macoupin, and Sangamon counties and it will connect us to the Gateway to the West, St.Louis, MO., and with our state capital, Springfield. From St.Louis, we travel north via the McKinley Bridge over the Mississippi River, and through the municipalities of Venice, Madison, Granite City, Pontoon Beach, Collinsville, Maryville, Glen Carbon, Edwardsville, Hamel, Worden, Staunton, Sawyerville, Benld, Gillespie, Carlinville, Girard, Virden, Auburn, Chatham and Springfield. Seen along the way are beautiful lakes, wetlands, streams, forest, farmland, and a horizon filled with bluffs, prairies and wildlife. The ITS Trail will be a family oriented linear parkway that will be wheelchair accessible, and provide a safe, wide, asphalt paved, non-motorized way to travel while linking communities together. You will be able to walk, run, cycle, skate and when it snows, go cross country skiing. Projects like this have increased tourism and development, benefited government, education, business, and labor, but most of all, it will greatly improve the quality of life of all our residents. We hope that you will enjoy and support the ITS Trail through its development on to its completion and to enjoy its benefits for many years to come. Become a part of your community, your region, and join with us, today.**