Matters of the Heart Partnership

Cardiovascular Health & the Women's Healthy Heart Project



Two cornerstones for cardiovascular health are to incorporate at least 30 minutes of physical activity into your routine on most days, and to eat a nutritious diet that includes 5 or more servings of fruits and vegetables every day. Check with your local senior center about equipment for physical activity for seniors to use, free of charge!

Take care of your health, and know the SIGNS and SYMPTOMS of HEART ATTACK:

- Chest or upper body discomfort
- Unexplained shortness of breath

and STROKE:

- WALK (sudden changes in balance)
- TALK (sudden changes in speech or droopy face)
- REACH (one side weak or numb)
- SEE (sudden changes in vision)
- FEEL (sudden & severe headache)

With any one sign or symptom, call 9-1-1 **Every Minute Counts!**

Healthy Eating Active Living (HEAL) Project

Eating healthy and staying active have never been easier in the EHHD! The HEAL Project promotes fresh fruits and vegetables, and access to opportunities for physical activity throughout the year. Informational fliers about seasonal produce for each week of the year are available on the EHHD website: look for the **Produce of the Week** (POW!), and eat a rainbow of colors every day for good health!

EHHD towns have gone the extra mile to establish **Active Living** opportunities for everyone. From enhanced trails and fit courses to kayak loan programs, the opportunities are there – go out and have some fun!

Parks and Recreation Contact Information:

Andover Sports and Recreation

(860) 742-7305

www.andoverct.org

Ashford Parks and Recreation (860) 487-4409 www.ashfordtownhall.org

Bolton Parks or Recreation

(860) 649-8066 bolton.govoffice.com

Chaplin Recreation Commission

(860) 455-0073 www.chaplinct.org

Columbia Town Offices

(860) 228-0110 www.columbiact.org Coventry Parks and Recreation (860) 742-4068 www.coventryct.org

Mansfield Parks and Recreation

(860) 429-3015

www.mansfieldct.org

Scotland Town Offices

(860) 423-9634 www.scotlandct.org/townhall

Tolland Parks and Recreation

(860) 871-3610 www.tolland.org

Willington Recreation Dept.

(860) 487-3108 www.willingtonct.org

Active Living Projects:

With a small amount of seed money from the state, and deep discounts from Chace Building Supply & Dick's Sporting Goods, member town parks and recreation departments were able to leverage town resources, in-kind donations, and volunteer labor to create opportunities for the community to get active!

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- EHHD Member Town Parks and Recreation Departments
- EHHD Member Town Senior Centers
- HEALTHY DINING Certified Establishments



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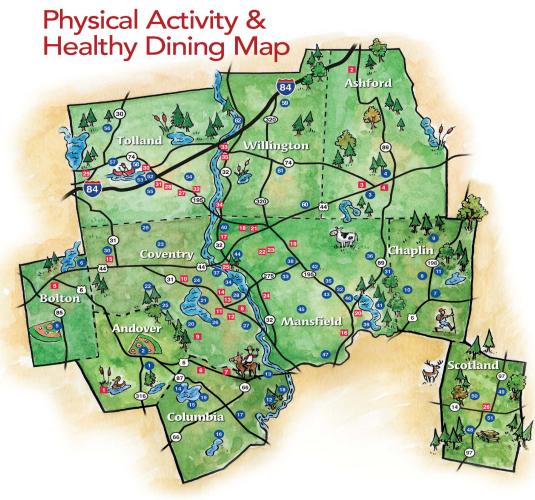
Guide

Opportunities for Physical Activity & Healthy Dining





Serving Communities in Eastern Connecticut





- Doris Chamberlain Nature Pond: Off Rte. 316, north of School Road picnic area
- Long Hill Ball Fields: Rte. 6 to Long Hill Rd. baseball fields

- Ashford Memorial Park: 72 Pompey Rd. (off Rte. 44) basketball & sand volleyball courts, soccer & baseball fields, playscapes, drinking water, and portable restrooms
- Pompey Hollow Park: Tremko Lane off Rte. 44 across from the Town Hall - tennis court, playscapes, short walking trail and overlook of the Mount Hope River. Sunday morning Farmers Market

- Herrick Park: Located off Hebron Rd. (parallel to Rte. 85, to Center Rd., Center Rd. turns into Hebron Rd.) playscape, baseball/softball/soccer fields, basketball court
- Indian Notch Park Bolton Lake: Located near Rte. 44 and Tolland Rd. Open during the summer months; swimming, picnic area/pavilion, baseball field, basketball court

- <u>Diana's Pool:</u> Off Rte. 198, north of Rte. 6 (0.4 miles north, turn right onto the "Dead End" street, just before the bridge over the Natchaug River, parking on left) - hiking and swimming
- Garrison Park: Located behind Town Hall (Phoenixville Rd.) walking
- Goodwin State Forest: North Bear Hill Road hiking trail
- Mansfield Hollow State Park: Bedlam Road hiking trail
- 11 Natchaug State Forest: Pumpkin Hill Road hiking trail

Columbia:

- Airline Rail Trail: Parallels Lebanon border walking, biking, horse trail
- Charter Oak Greenway/Rail Trail: Parallels Rte. 6 walking, biking, bridle trail, rail trail, access to Willimantic and Hop River, fishing,
- Columbia Lake Beach: Lake Rd. to Beach Rd. swimming/swimming lessons (passes purchased through town hall)
- Hennequin Recreation Park; Hennequin Road exercise circuit walking path, playing fields, tennis/basketball courts, playscape
- Mono Pond Natural Heritage and Recreation Area: Lake Ridge Dr. (access from Hunt Rd.) hiking, fishing, limited hunting, boating

- Szegda Farm Open Space Preserve; (135 acres) Szegda Road (near the intersection of Rtes 66 & 87) open fields and wooded land, including 2 hiking loops of more than 1 mile
- 18 Ten Mile River: Access from Samuel Hill Rd. hiking, fishing
- <u>Utley Swamp Tract:</u> Access from Lake Rd. and Recreation Park hiking

- Community Sidewalks: South St., Cross St., and Coventry Village
- Coventry Lake: (375 acres) Off Rte. 31 Public beaches (2), state boat launch, fishing access
- Creaser Park: (57 acres) Rte. 31 to Wrights Rd. to Case Rd. walking trails, fishing ponds (2), bird sanctuary, dog walk area, 3 rentable cabins, handicap accessible
- <u>Laidlaw Park:</u> (37 acres) Merrow Rd. off Rte. 32 walking trail, softball & soccer fields, handicap accessible
- Lisickie Beach: (3 acres) Main St. (Rte. 31) public beach with lifeguards, bathrooms, basketball court, handicap accessible
- Mathan Hale State Forest: (1,554 acres) South St. public walking trails (Lake St.)
- Patriot's Park: (17 acres) Lake St. (Rte. 275 turns to Lake Street at the Rte. 31 intersection) ice skating pond, warming hut, public beach with lifeguards, bathrooms, picnic pavilion, multi-purpose field, playground, basketball court, handicap accessible Canoe and Kayak Free-Loan Program through Parks & Recreation: Contact Coventry Parks & Recreation (860) 742-4068
- 27 Miller-Richardson Field: Rte 31 & Plains Road baseball/football
- 28 Windswept Farms: Windswept Way playscape
- Skungamaug Golf Course: Folly Lane, (Rte. 44 to N. River Rd. to Folly) 18 hole public golf course
- 30 Twin Hills Country Club: Bread and Milk Street (Rte. 31) 18 hole public golf course

Mansfield:

- Buchanan Center Library: 54 Warrenville Rd. (Rte. 89) picnic areas and playground
- <u>Coney Rock Preserve:</u> Access from Chaffeeville Rd. off Rte.195 in Mansfield Center- loop trail climbs through old pastures reverting to forest, cliff top offers views of Mansfield Hollow State Park
- Dunham Forest: Access from Dunham Pond Rd. (off Rte. 275 or White Oak Rd.) hiking trails (includes loop trail) through mature forest



- Eagleville Preserve: Lake St (access from Eagleville Dam, off Rte. 275 through state land) loop trail along scenic bend of Willimantic River, through old pasture reverting to forest
- 35 Fifty Foot Cliff Preserve: Access from behind Old Town Hall on Rte. 195 - forested trails culminating at cliff with views across Fenton River Valley and Mansfield Hollow State Park
- <u>Lions Club Memorial Park:</u> Warrenville Rd. (Rte. 89) hiking, soccer fields, picnic areas
- 37 Lynch Landing-Scenic Trail: Access from Depot Rd. off Rte. 44
- Mansfield Community Center: 10 South Eagleville Rd. (Rte. 275) fitness center, fitness classes, swimming, therapy pool, aquatic classes, indoor track, and basketball courts, kayaks for loan
- 39 Mansfield Hollow State Park; Bassetts Bridge Rd. (off of Rte. 195) trails (including loops), handicap accessible, canoe/boat launch
- Merrow Meadow Park: Access from Merrow Rd. (Rte. 32) canoe launch, loop trail through meadows, wetlands and forest along the Willimantic River, handicap accessible
- 41 Mt. Hope Park: Access from Rte. 89 loop trail through meadows and woodlands leading to ponds and the Mt. Hope River
- Nipmuck Trail: (6 miles) Access from Rte.195 near Mansfield Historical Society easy to moderate hiking trail
- Schoolhouse Brook Park; Access from Clover Mill Rd. (off Rte. 195 & Mansfield Middle School) 19 trails including a portion of Nipmuck Trail, views of colonial mill and house site, includes Bicentennial Pond Recreation Area with seasonal swimming and fitness trails
- 44 Shelter Falls Park: Across from Birch Rd. off Rte. 44 trails to waterfall and scenic rock formations along Cedar Swamp Brook, and to adjacent UConn and DEP lands
- Spring Hill Fields: Spring Hill Rd. (off Rte. 195) hiking, baseball/softball field, soccer field
- Southeast Park: Warrenville Rd. (Rte. 89) hiking, cross-country skiing, baseball/softball/football fields
- <u>Sunny Acres Park;</u> Meadowbrook Ln. (off Rte.195 South of Mansfield Center) playground, baseball/softball/soccer fields, handicap accessible

Scotland:

- Bower's Park: Devotion Rd. (Rte. 97 to south Rte. 14) baseball, soccer, tennis, swings, playground equipment, tetherball, volleyball, picnic tables
- 49 Rock Springs Nature Conservancy: Pudding Hill Rd. (Rte. 97, 1.4 miles north of Rte. 14) 450 acres, 3 mile loop trail
- 50 Scotland Public Library: 21 Brook Rd. (just north of Rte.14) nature trail through wetlands conservation area
- Scotland Town Green: Intersection of Rte. 14 and Rte. 97 gazebo,

- Crandall Park: Cider Mill Rd. (off Rte. 195) easy to moderate hiking trails (maps available at the recreation office), seasonal swimming with beach fees, play area for children
- 63 <u>Crandall Park II:</u> Cider Mill Rd.-Powell Pond (off Rte. 195) fishing, non-motorized boating permitted
- <u>Cross Farms Recreation Area:</u> Rhodes Road (off Anthony Road) hiking trails, disc golf course, exercise stations
- Heron Cove Park: South River Rd. (off Rte. 74 in the Woodhenge Drive intersection area) - canoe launch, hiking trails along the Willimantic River, seasonal ice-skating
- 56 Shafran Open Space: Eaton Rd. (off Rte. 30) hiking
- 57 Tennis Courts: Old Cathole Rd. (off Rte. 74) 6 hard surface courts
- Tobiason Memorial Park; Grant Hill Rd (Rte.195 to Cider Mill Rd. to Grant Hill) hiking trails, includes part of Joshua's Trust

Willington:

- Fenton Ruby Park: Moose Meadow and Burma Rd. hiking trails (4 miles), fishing, picnic area
- Mipmuck Trail-Scenic Trail; Access from Rte. 44 near Mason Rd. -easy to moderate trail
- <u>Town Office Field:</u> 40 Old Farms Rd. (off Rte. 74) softball field, baseball diamond. Kayak Free-Loan Program through Parks & Recreation: Contact Willington Parks & Recreation (860) 487-3108
- 62 River Road Athletic Complex: 511 River Road (Rte. 32) soccer/baseball fields, future tennis courts, basketball/volleyball courts,

Town Senior centers have free resources for physical activities for senior residents.