

# You Are Invited to Join



The Friends of the Paint Creek Trail is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization, created to give trail users the opportunity to help plan for the future of the trail, and to assist with the environmental stewardship of the Trail. Our mission is to promote the usage, maintenance, improvement and enjoyment of the Paint Creek Trail. We depend on trail users like you to make this the best trail in Michigan.



## Here is How To Learn More

visit <http://paintcreektrailfriends.org> where you will find a membership application, or email your inquiry to [paintcreektrailfriends@yahoo.com](mailto:paintcreektrailfriends@yahoo.com).

## Projects and Activities

Working with the Paint Creek Trailways Commission and Trail Management, we have organized trail rides, walks, Trails Day Events and other fun events to increase the value and enjoyment of the Trail. The Moutrie Pollinator Garden (near the 32.5 mile marker on the Trail) was developed in 2019 and the Friends maintain ongoing oversight. The Friends also design, produce and sell Paint Creek Trail branded merchandise such as hats and shirts.

## Fund-Raising

Merchandise sales, donations by the public and activities held on the Trail usually provide fund-raising opportunities. This has enabled the Friends to install bike FIXIT stations, bike racks, water fountains and more, to add to the enjoyment of the Trail users.

## Membership

Membership is free. Members participate in meetings to provide input, volunteer to help with events when available and serve in general as ambassadors for the Paint Creek Trail. An elected board and officers manage the Friends organization as outlined in the bylaws posted on the website.

## Meetings

We meet 4-6 times annually to share ideas, work on projects and plan fun trail events. Regular meetings are generally held at the Paint Creek Cider Mill [4480 Orion Road Rochester, MI 48306](http://4480OrionRoadRochesterMI48306).