DOWNTOWN AKRON

OHIO & ERIE CANAL
TOWPATH TRAIL

MAY WE HELP YOU?

Downtown Akron Partnership’s ambassadors are committed to keeping downtown Akron a safe, clean and vibrant place to work, live and play.

Ambassadors patrol the 42-block Downtown Akron Special Improvement District and the METRO Transit Center seven days a week deterring crime, providing safety escorts, visiting businesses and assisting pedestrians and motorists to make your visit to downtown Akron an enjoyable one.

Looking for a friendly face? Our ambassadors are at your service

330-706-7383

Monday–Saturday: 7 a.m.–11 p.m.
Sunday: 8 a.m.–8 p.m.

TOWPATH PARTNERS

TOWPATH CLOSURES

The Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail is subject to closures in the event of construction or special events in the downtown area.

Please follow posted signage to detour around temporary closures.

WELCOME TO DOWNTOWN AKRON!

The Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail winds through downtown with easily accessible departure points to experience all that downtown Akron has to offer.

To stay on the Towpath Trail, follow the Ohio & Erie Canalway signs on the 1.5-mile trail through the center of the city.

A connector trail to Locks 3 & 4 and Northside Station is available for those who wish to explore those destinations. Intersections at Bowery and State Streets and stair access to Exchange Street at the Richard Howe House offer excellent access points to enjoy downtown amenities.

For a complete list of downtown dining, entertainment, nightlife, arts, culture and more, visit downtownakron.com.

THE DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY

The Ohio & Erie Canalway stretches 110 miles between Cleveland and New Philadelphia, but the best part is the 1.5 miles in the heart of downtown Akron.

Urban skyline meets natural wonder as the downtown towpath passage rambles past Canal Park and notable architecture just moments from dozens of downtown destinations.

Walking the towpath today is like walking through history. It took the mule-towed boats a full day to be raised and lowered through downtown’s 17 locks. Akron developed as businesses sprang up to meet the needs of those passing through.

Today, downtown Akron is a clean, safe and vibrant place to explore, with casual and upscale restaurants, an active nightlife, cultural and entertainment venues, a thriving arts community, green spaces, a diverse business environment and unique shopping experiences.

Historic and architectural gems hidden throughout downtown make any walking journey an adventure.

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SHOP • DINE • EXPLORE

Did you know that Main Street connects to the Towpath Trail through a portion of downtown? Don’t miss the opportunity to explore public spaces, shop or grab a bite to eat and a cold drink.

There is always something cooking in downtown Akron

From casual eats to upscale dining, you’ll find delicious food and great atmosphere when you dine downtown. Whether it’s a quick bite, or a place to linger over coffee, downtown dining - with 40+ options - has it all.

From greeting cards to local music, you can find what you’re looking for downtown—you just have to know where to look. Purchase Akron pride on a t-shirt or hat, candy and gifts, sports apparel, jewelry, accessories and more at one of downtown’s unique retail stores.

Northside Station and Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad

Downtown Akron is proud to be the home of the Northside Station of the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad. Passenger trains depart and arrive at the station, connecting downtown to the lush beauty of the Cuyahoga Valley National Park.

For information on the railroad, a complete list of train schedules and info about the Bike Aboard! program, visit cvsr.com or call 1-800-468-4070 or 330-439-5708.