Pennsville- Walking toward a Healthier Future

![Riverview Beach Park entrance](image-url)
Not Pennsville…. Pennsville 😊
Demographics of our Community

- Population 12,500
- Land Area- 22.5 miles
- Considered a Barrier Peninsula by FEMA
- Median age of Resident is 44.8
- 52% Female 48% Male
- Average commute to work 4.3 miles
Gotta go to WORK, WORK, WORK
Interesting Statistics about our Town

- Healthy Diet Rate: Pennsville: 58% New Jersey: 48%
- Average BMI Rate: Pennsville: 28% New Jersey: 28%
- Overweight People: Pennsville: 34% New Jersey: 32%
- Overall Health: Pennsville: 57% New Jersey: 56%
- Average Sleeping: Pennsville: 7.2 New Jersey: 6.3
- Non-Alcohol Drinkers: Pennsville: 12% New Jersey: 10%
- Adult Diabetes Rate: Pennsville: 9% New Jersey: 7%
Small Town Challenges

- Recently lost the DuPont Company and their tax revenue
- NJDOT mostly funds on-street pathways not off-street
- Not having wide enough road system to designate bike/walk lane
- Funding is always a challenge
- No walking paths around the schools in district
- Only 6 total miles of walkable trails currently in town
Our Current Walkable Trails

- Forest Habitat Trail - Supawna Meadows NWR - Pennsville, NJ. Distance - 0.75 miles. Description - Have not hiked this one yet, naptime struck!

- Walking Tour Trail - Fort Mott State Park - Pennsville, NJ. Distance - About 1.2 miles. Description - This trail wanders past, on top of, under, and through the fortifications of Fort Mott, built to defend the Delaware River during the Spanish-American War.

- Riverview Beach Park- Pennsville, NJ. Distance- 1.1 mile loop around a scenic lake and along the Delaware River

- Grassland Trail and Wetlands Loop Trail - Supawna Meadows NWR - Pennsville, NJ. Distance - Grassland Trail – 1.25 miles round trip, Wetlands Pond Loop – 0.33 miles round trip. Description - Nice, short pair of connected hikes through a patch of woods, a very large meadow, and alongside some large marshes
Vision of our Future

- We would like to add a 3.2 mile off-street pathway along the Delaware River.
- With the new Pathway we would be able to connect the Riverview Beach Park with Fort Mott State Park, via off-road and on-road pathways.
- Upon completion we would have more than DOUBLED our current pathway total.
- Once completed, we could begin Phase 2, which is building a Pier that would allow us access to a ferry system so we could connect to over 25 miles of off-road pathways in the State of Delaware.
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